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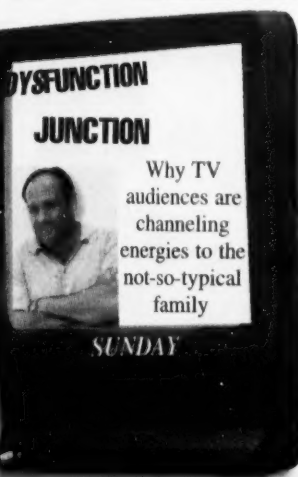


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By Rebecca Piro

For proponents of the \$1.13 million override, the mission is now different, but the message is the same.

Schools supporters celebrated this week when Town Meeting overwhelmingly ratified the override of Proposition 2½, Article 5, with a vote of 1,366 to 692.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

School Committee member Christopher Smith says the real challenge for the override is at the ballot box.

But the Town Meeting vote is only half the battle. Override proponents must carry that same momentum into the ballot box in June or there will be no override. If approved by ballot, as well as Town Meeting – which would be the first time Andover has done so – the override will add \$81 to the average household's property tax, with the average home valued at \$353,000. School officials say the money, approved over and above its base budget of \$46.8 million, is needed to help open the new High Plain and Wood Hill schools and maintain the quality of education. "We are not trying to lower class size. We are trying to maintain our current programs," said Tina Girdwood, School Committee chairwoman. Superintendent Claudia Bach said that the override was necessary to maintain current class sizes, maintain the middle-school concept and to allow 7.5 credits for high-school students.

The town's \$105 million budget was also approved Monday night, and will add \$357 to the average homeowner's tax bill. The override would add another \$81. The Community Preservation Act

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PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Paul Dow, an official counter at Town Meeting, tallies the override vote for section two.

What next?

Pro-override group to reach out to seniors

By Ben Hellman

Support Our Students co-chairwoman Barbara L'Italien was excited that the override passed, but the struggle isn't over yet. "This puts us in the game," said L'Italien.

So what's next? L'Italien mentioned starting a coalition that would include members from Andover's Council on Aging. "It can't be a students versus seniors issue. We need to address the needs of all these folks," she said. For seniors who cannot physically participate in the tax-voucher program, L'Italien plans to look into the possibility of students volun-

teering in place of seniors. The seniors would then get the tax break. "We need to sit down and see what options we have," said L'Italien.

School Committee member Gerry Gustus says that now that the override is going to a special vote School Committee members can no longer campaign. "We're pretty much muzzled," said Gustus.

Still, Gustus says that committee members are free to act as private citizens. "I might go down and do a phone bank," said Gustus. He just wouldn't introduce

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More to come

Residents are in store for at least one, and maybe two more nights of Town Meeting to vote on some of the warrant's biggest-ticket items. Town Meeting will reconvene Monday at 7 p.m., and Tuesday at 7 p.m., if necessary, in the Andover High School Field House, due to anticipated large crowds.

About 2,000 voters assembled at Town Meeting this past Monday night, with significantly fewer on Tuesday night, to wade through just 25 of 63 articles. Lots of time was spent debating the town and school budgets, which passed at a total of \$105.2 million; the \$1.13 million override

which also passed; and the Community Preservation Act, which was defeated.

Major issues in next week's lineup include Article 40, a water-use restriction bylaw; Article 41, a lawn irrigation system bylaw; and Article 42, \$975,000 for design work to expand the town's water treatment plant. Articles 45, 46 and 47 – known as the zoning-for-fields deal – ask voters to rezone land in west Andover from residential to industrial, and to authorize officials to negotiate agreements with Tewksbury and Lowell for sewer and water services to the area. (See page 13 for other articles still to be debated.)

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Web question

Does the override's passage at Town Meeting mean higher taxes?

Last week's *Townsmen* Web-site question was:

"IT" came to Andover last week. Segway believes that its human transporter will revolutionize the way cities are designed, cutting back on the need for cars. Do you see Segways changing our area?

Out of 36 votes:

► 6, or 17 percent, said "Yes. The transporters take up less space than cars, don't use gas and are easy to operate."

► 9, or 25 percent, said "Maybe. If it could get me downtown and back without having to recharge, I'd think about it."

► 19, or 53 percent, said "No. We live in New England, where the weather can change

at any time. No one wants to be stuck on a glorified scooter when it starts snowing in April."

► 2 people said, "Other."

This week's Web question:

The override passed by a strong majority at Town Meeting. Is this a sign that the town is ready to raise its taxes for its schools?

• Yes, Town Meeting is the voice of the voters of Andover.

• No, the override is a divisive issue. A public forum is not a good indication as to how residents will vote when it goes on the ballot.

• Other.

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IN BRIEF

Town Meeting resumes at Field House Monday

The continuation of the Annual Town Meeting will be held Monday, April 29 and Tuesday, April 30 if needed. Voters should note that meeting place has been changed from the Collins Center to the Andover High School Field House on Shawsheen Road. This change was made to accommodate an expected large number of attendees. The meeting will start at 7 p.m.

All registered voters that attend Town Meeting will need to be checked into the meeting in the lobby of Andover High School on April 29 and 30.

The town has added a new precinct this year and this has caused many precinct changes for voters. Streets and precinct numbers were listed in this year's Finance Committee book that was mailed to every household on April 12.

Residents may also visit the town Web site at <www.town.andover.ma.us> and do a precinct search under "New and Noteworthy." The town recommends people check their precinct numbers before going to the meeting to avoid delays at the check-in area.

Questions? Call the town clerk's office at 978-623-8200.

'Earth Day' yard sale

The Department of Community Services is sponsoring a Giant Earth Day Yard Sale on Saturday, April 27 at The Park from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. People can reserve 10-foot spots in the park by calling Mary Donohue at DCS by noon, Friday, April 26. Cost is \$5 per spot; set-up is at 8 a.m. Sellers should bring their own table(s). Rain date is Saturday, May 4. Call the DCS info line to confirm weather on the date at 978-623-8279.

Sovereign bank robber gets 5-8 years

Confessed bank robber Matthew Christensen will spend at least one year in jail for every bank he robbed.

Christensen, 24, of Medford, admitted last week to stealing a total of \$8,900 from five banks during a crime spree that lasted from August through October last year, and included Sovereign Bank on Main Street in Andover.

He was sentenced at Salem Superior Court and will spend five to eight years at Walpole state prison, with five years of probation awaiting him when he gets out. Christensen has already spent 174 days in jail while awaiting trial. He has yet to face charges for two

other bank robberies in Middlesex County.

Andover police, with the help of Saugus police and the state police Fugitive Apprehension Team, tracked down Christensen and arrested him Oct. 26 in Saugus.

The bank robber left a note and his fingerprints behind at the Sovereign Bank in Andover, which helped lead police to him. He also dropped a blue baseball hat on Punchard Street when he fled the crime scene, which would have helped police place him at the scene if the case had gone to trial, says Andover Sgt. Don Pattullo.

— Rebecca Piro

Transportation change

The Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority will hold public hearings today, April 25, to present service and fare changes that will occur due to the current state fiscal situation.

The hearings will be at these locations: City Council Chambers, Lawrence City Hall from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.; Room 301, Haverhill City Hall from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; and City Council Chambers, Newburyport City Hall from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

The Authority's proposed Fiscal Year 2003 budget of \$7.9 million would require \$500,000 or 6.3 percent in reductions under level funding and \$1.4 million or 17.7 percent in reductions under reduced funding as proposed in the governor's budget.

Under level state funding, service changes would include combining bus Route 22 (Ballardvale) with Route 21 (Andover shuttle) into one route and reducing service frequency from 45 minutes to 80 minutes for both routes.

Under reduced state funding,

service changes would include eliminating Routes 21 and 22 in Andover. EZ Trans fares in the corridor including Andover would triple from \$1 to \$3.

Excise tax due today

Andover has mailed the 2002 excise bills with an issue date of March 25, due today, April 25. Any questions regarding adjustments should be directed to the assessors' office. The town has also mailed the real-estate tax bill for this year's fourth quarter. Payment is due Wednesday, May 1.

Title V seminar

How does Title V affect property owners? On Wednesday May 1, from 6 to 8 p.m. Keller Williams Realty will be holding an informational seminar on Title V at Marland Place, 15 Stevens St. Ben Osgood, a septic inspector and licensed installer, will speak and answer questions. This seminar is open to all residents, but seating is limited. Contact 978-475-2111 for more information.

Quote, unquote . . .

I'M PLEASED ABOUT THE FACT that it will save me a lot of wear and tear on my truck. Given it was the 5 a.m. shuttle, I napped.

— Ian Striffler, a Wyeth employee from Manchester, N.H., who will be taking a shuttle bus to work rather than driving. (Story, page 41)

IT SHOULD BE CALLED the Community Perpetuity Act.

— Holt Road resident Maria Marasco, who said she had worked at the state Department of Revenue, and worried about the permanency of the Community Preservation Act. (Story, page 18)

News Calendar**Thursday, April 25**

Greater Lawrence Sanitary District, 240 Charles St., North Andover, 7 p.m.

Zoning Board, Public Hearing for Coachman's Ridge, first floor, Town Offices, 7 p.m.

Monday, April 29

Andover Contribution Retirement Board, Town Offices, third floor, 9 a.m.

Board of Selectmen, Andover High School, room 114, 6 p.m.

Town Meeting, Town Offices, Andover High School Field House, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 30

Cable Advisory Committee, Town Offices, third floor, selectmen's conference room, 5 p.m.

Town Meeting, Town Offices, Andover High School Field House, 7 p.m.

Visions Committee, Town Offices, second-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

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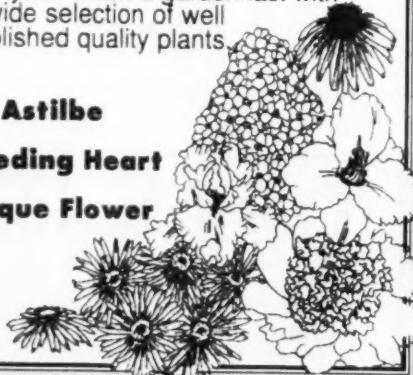
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Youth-center site 'ready to roll'

No hazardous waste in soil; radon, methane gas tests coming

By Rebecca Piro

The proposed youth-center site in west Andover has a clean bill of health.

"We're ready to roll," says Larry Larsen, president of Andover Youth Foundation, the private group that has promised to raise money and build the facility. "The site is entirely clean."

The news is a welcome relief to Larsen and other youth-center proponents, who had predicted all along that the land — which abuts an old landfill — was clean.

The parcel, a town-owned piece of land, sits behind West Fire Station. At a Special Town Meeting in November 2000, voters agreed to temporarily give the parcel to AYF. According to a contract with the town, AYF will return the land to town ownership and maintenance after the \$4.4 million youth center is complete.

Two weeks ago, AYF brought in an outside company to dig in seven spots throughout the site and look for signs that rotting trash or dangerous metals had seeped from the landfill next door into the empty site. There were none.

"We took soil samples for chromium and other metals. There were traces, but they are well below any limits," says Bob McQuade, AYF member and former Public Works director for the town. "The material is a silt to sandy clay material, without any hazardous waste."

In its April 11 issue, the *Townsmen* reported that AYF was conducting tests on the site. According to AYF's contract with the town, if the land had serious contamination problems, the town would have to pay to clean it up, or the deal was off. People who read the story jumped to conclusions, says Larsen.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Tests of the site, conducted in part by Richard Weber, showed the soil to be clean.

"Several people came up to us and said, 'It's too bad you're going to have to go back to (square one),'"

he says. He's happy to have proved them wrong. "I wasn't that nervous," says Bill Fahey, Youth Services director. "Bob McQuade all along felt it didn't have any issues. (McQuade) just said, 'Let's do it the right way and make sure there are no problems.'"

AYF has yet to test the site for radon and methane gas, which it will do through water samples. Once again, McQuade is uncon-

cerned. "Radon, you can take care of," he says. Last year, builders found radon at the site of the new High Plain and Wood Hill schools, and installed a radon mitigator to take care of the problem. McQuade doesn't expect to find methane, a gas created from decomposing organic materials, because the landfill slopes away from the youth-center site. "If there was any, we would have encountered it," he says.

Declaring the site fit to build upon was one hurdle. Raising the money to build the center is another. "It's hard to be motivated if you're going through the efforts and (you think) it might not be the right place," says Fahey. Now, he's hopeful that overcoming the first obstacle will create smoother sailing past the second.

AYF currently has \$2 million in pledges and \$500,000 in actual cash, says Larsen. It needs at least \$1 million in cash and the balance in pledges before it can break ground. It hopes to start construction in May of 2003.

AYF's next step is to sit down with its architect and work out a contract for the project's final design, says McQuade. In a few weeks, AYF will be back out at the site, checking the site's structural capacity to plan the building's foundation.

Clean soil

Gives seniors hope, too

Youth-center proponents aren't the only ones happy to hear that the west Andover site is clean. Senior-center hopefuls are pleased to know they can keep west Andover on their list of potential sites.

The land behind West Fire Station, slated for the public/private youth-center project, has enough room for a senior center as well. The Senior Center Committee

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Robert McQuade
Fomer Andover DPW Director for 30 years

"This is a win-win situation. The Town, and the kids, can't lose."

Dr Larry Larsen
Former Selectman, 9 years served

"I support these Articles because the proposed zoning change from residential to commercial makes sense and represents good planning for the benefit of the Town."

Michael Miller
Former Andover Planning Board Chairman

"This is a unique proposal in which the private sector comes to the table to support two very important public needs: a new revenue stream for the Town and new ball fields for our youth."

Brian Major
Andover Selectman

"After taking a good look at the site and the surrounding area, the best use for the part of the land in question, is what is planned by the developer."

Jerry Silverman
Former Selectman, 18 years served

"Andover needs fields. This is a creative solution to the problem. It's the only way I see fields happening in Andover in the next ten years."

Bill Fahey
Andover Youth Services Director

"Our families spent unlimited, unqualified time playing upon Andover's spacious playing fields. Athletics, coupled with an Andover education, opened doors for us at the finest universities.

Now, we have children who want to play ball in Andover, but we are uncertain they will have the same opportunities that we did. There is not enough playing space to accomodate the kids. We ask you approve Articles 45, 46 and 47 at Town Meeting for rezoning/new ballfields."

Glén Verrette - AHS - Holy Cross
E.J. Perry - AHS - Colby
Paul Farnham - AHS - Brown
Carmen Scarpa - AHS - Harvard

"The Town has told the Andover Soccer Association that it will not have access to the fields at the new schools... Without additional fields, the ASA may have to turn away prospective players. As an organization that prides itself on being an inclusive program, this would be devastating to us."

Bonnie Spurr
President - Andover Soccer Association

"As a parent of four children who grew up in Andover and played youth sports, I realize the need for additional playing fields. I am hopeful that all issues regarding this property can be resolved and this project can move forward."

Charles Murnane Jr
Lifelong resident - Parent

"Cities and towns all over the country see this type of quid pro quo as progressive public policy... For Andover, the days of single dimension decision-making are over. I support this initiative because it is appropriate zoning for the parcel

in question, it helps solve a legitimate community need, and provides valuable financial resources for the Town. Most exciting, it is a private initiative, brought to the community by a group of creative committed citizens."

Tom Jones
Environmental and Youth Advocate

"In 1988, we represented Andover and the Eastern United States in the Little League World Series. It was a culmination of years participating in Andover athletics and was a stepping-stone to greater responsibility... Our success on the playing fields was directly related to the Andover community."

Members of the 1988 Eastern United States
Little League Champions

"Andover has always been ahead of neighboring towns by planning its growth intelligently, by promoting a tax base that is balanced between business and residential property, and by taking advantage of economic growth opportunities when they present themselves. Articles 45, 46 and 47 deserve our support."

Bob Gilbert
Andover Attorney

"Andover's youth sports leaders long ago accepted that, regardless of athletic ability, every child deserves the opportunity to play sports and lead an active life... Unfortunately, however, our culture of inclusion is in grave danger. Andover is growing. But our fields are already scheduled for use during every available hour of after-school daylight. We are well beyond the saturation point."

Peter Malaguti
President - Andover Little League

"I walked this land, drove through area neighborhoods and pored over maps before deciding for myself that Article 45 is a good plan for Andover. The Planning Board reached the same conclusion with their vote to support Article 45."

Peter Morris
ASA Board Member

"Considering our school budgetary problems, we need to look at the big picture, work together and create additional funds for our town."

Ted Teichert
Selectman

"Sports teach children life long skills for success."

Ann Marie Yastrzemski
Baseball, Hockey, Soccer Mom

"For many years we were requested to approve fields but there was never money available. This is a fantastic opportunity for the Town."

Charles H Wesson, Former Selectmen Chairman,
12 years served on Board, Finance Committee, Six years served

"Keep your eye on the budget. Create growth. I am a neighbor of this project and I support it."

Jeff Smith
Neighbor and Business Owner

"Having lived in West Andover all my life I have seen and witnessed enormous change to the area: a cornfield transformed into a church, woods into highways, and pastures into house lots. Now, the kids need a place to play. I welcome playing fields off Haggetts Pond Road, where I live."

Ted Witman
Neighbor

Center site is clean

■ SENIOR SITE?

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recently recommended the site as one of two for a new or expanded facility.

"I'm very pleased," says Rob Schreiber, committee co-chairman. "It keeps the two sites alive and well."

The other site named by the committee is the existing senior center on Bartlett Street, where members say there is room to expand. Neither site was recommended more strongly than the other.

When the committee gave its report to selectmen April 1, it mentioned a third possible site - 16 Haverhill St. The town recently foreclosed upon the property for unpaid taxes, but the new ownership isn't enough to earn the site official recommendation from the committee, says Schreiber.

"It seemed like there were a lot of complicating issues," he says. At the time the committee conducted its research, the town did not yet

own the building, and the committee did not know, and still doesn't know, the condition of the building. "We would have to go back and look at it. There were questions that were left outstanding," he adds.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski is currently reviewing the Senior Center Committee's report. He'll present his own findings to the selectmen on May 20 and make recommendations for next steps at that point. He promises the project will not fall by the wayside - a worry of senior-center proponents, who say they've been trying to get a senior center built for 10 years.

"At this point, it's really up to the selectmen and Buzz to determine what the next steps are," Schreiber says.

"The overwhelming project facing us at this time is Town Meeting," says Stapczynski. "We'll be working on it after Town Meeting."

- Rebecca Piro

One student charged in alarm 'pranks'

By Rebecca Piro

At least one Andover High student isn't saved by the bell.

Police and school officials have identified one female student, age 16, who they say pulled one of the false fire alarms that emptied the school recently. Nearly 1,700 students who attend AHS have missed class time due to about 10 false alarms in the past month.

"(This girl) said, 'I'm going to pull the fire alarm so we don't have to go to math class.' And she did," says Det. Sgt. Don Pattullo.

A school employee saw the girl leave the building just as the fire alarm was going off. That person gave the girl's name to police. The female, who cooperated with police and confessed the crime recently, will be summonsed into court and charged with tampering with a fire alarm signal, he says.

Fire Lt. James Lynch says that a person caught repeatedly pulling fire alarms can be fined between \$100 and \$500, or spend up to one year in prison, aside from whatever discipline the school might hand out.

Peter Anderson, AHS principal, declined to comment on what disciplinary action the school might take.

However, both school officials and police believe additional students are responsible for the several other false alarms that have been pulled. "We have not solved those yet. We're still working on them," says Pattullo.

"We believe there are others involved as well," agrees Anderson. He has been communicating the problem to students over the public-address system. "The students are very frustrated," he says.

The fire department has not responded to any false alarms in nearly two weeks, though last week was school vacation, he adds. False alarms mean missed class time for students, as well as a nuisance for firefighters who have to respond to them, says Fire Deputy Lincoln Clark. When firefighters are wasting time responding to a false alarm, it leaves the rest of town - where a real fire might occur - unprotected.



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Pulled fire alarms have kept students out of class recently.

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Supporting Articles 45, 46 & 47 makes good sense for Andover.

Town Meeting approval would rezone 22.5 acres of a 129 acre parcel owned by Andover's Yvon Cormier.
The land proposed for rezoning now borders Tewksbury industrial area, Route 495 and power lines.

Town Meeting approval would mean:

- Two soccer fields, a baseball diamond and space for t-ball.
- Two office buildings that, if approved by town regulatory boards, project to generate \$500,000 each year in tax revenue.

Frequently Asked Questions on Articles 45, 46 & 47

Q. How many acres will be rezoned from residential to industrial?
A. 22.5

Q. Industrial? What type of things can be built if we approve the rezoning?

A. Office buildings are proposed. This type of zoning would NOT allow for chemical plants, manufacturing, anything like that.

Q. What is the Planning Board's position on these Articles?

A. The Planning Board is recommending Town Meeting Approval.

Q. Why this parcel?

A. It is already bordered by power lines on the west, Route 495 on the east, and Tewksbury land that is zoned industrial on the south.

Q. Should we worry about this parcel continually expanding as an industrial zone?

A. No. To the north it will be contained by conservation land and the ballfields.

Q. Can I see it for myself?

A. A walking tour will leave the rear of Holiday Inn parking lot on Sunday, April 28 at 4 pm.

Q. What about neighbors that directly abut?

A. There aren't any. The closest neighbor is beyond the power lines. The proposal calls for that home to be two football fields away from the closest office building.

Q. Do we need new fields?

A. An open space report commissioned by selectman in 1988 reported 13 new fields were needed. After this report was published, the Lacrosse program was founded. Lacrosse now includes 350 youngsters and is growing.

Q. How many people play outdoor sports in Town?

A. Andover Little League 1,200
 Andover Soccer Association 2000
 Adult Soccer 500
 Lacrosse 350
 Andover Football 250
 Girls Softball 350
 Adult Softball 300

Q. What type of fields will be built?

A. 2 Travel Size Soccer Fields 360 ft x 225 ft
B. Baseball Diamond to accommodate players 13 years of age and older.
C. Entry level (6 & 7 yr olds) tball fields.

Q. Are there wetlands on the parcel of land?

A. Yes there are, they have been delineated and approved by the Town of Andover.

Q. What will be built in the Industrial Zoned land?

A. Two professional office buildings

Q. Will the Industrial Park be connected to the fields?

A. No, access to the fields will be off Haggetts Pond Road and access to the Industrial Zone is off Route 133.

Q. How will the new fields be built?

A. They will be built with private money from the leagues

Q. Who will maintain the fields?

A. The leagues will pay for maintenance and upkeep.

Q. What if the Soccer Association and/or Little League go out of business?

A. The leagues will donate the land to a nonprofit environmental organization that would ensure it stays green space for perpetuity.

Q. Will the town lose tax revenue on this property when this passes?

A. Now, the town generates about \$5,900 each year. From the entire 129 acre parcel. When the two buildings are built the town will generate over \$500,000 yearly.

Q. Is it true that Industry only uses .70 for every dollar of tax revenue it brings in and residential homes use 1.06?

A. Yes That is why a strong industrial base is good for our community. In this case, overhead will be even less because water and sewer will be provided by Tewksbury.

Q. Who will pay for water, sewer and utilities to this site?

A. Mr Cormier will incur all these costs.

Q. Who will build the access road to the fields?

A. Mr Cormier will pay for the access road and parking lot.

Q. Is there a question of safety and security?

A. We have a new state-of-the-art police and fire station, and satellite firehouses. They are staffed by competent professionals. Furthermore, we have reciprocal agreements whereby other towns work with us to cover fires and emergencies.

Q. This seems like a deal.

A. It is one, and it is a good one. If you own a house, have a car or a job you have made a deal. The question is ...was it a good one?

Q. How much is the land that would be donated to the sports leagues worth?

A. \$5 million. Mr Cormier also will spend \$1 million building the road and parking lot.

Q. Do the leagues get the land, road and parking if Mr Cormier cannot subsequently win conservation or zoning approval for his building plans?

A. Yes. The land is conveyed to the leagues 60 days after Town Meeting, after Town Meeting is approved by Attorney General's Office which is the normal procedure. There is a legal agreement that states this.

Q. Is the Rezoned land or the field's property in the Watershed Overlay district?

A. No, neither the fields nor the proposed 2 buildings. This will not affect our drinking water.

Q. The River Road industrial zone has grown and grown, how is this different?

A. This property has boundaries on every side except where the fields will go. The fields stop the expansion.

Q. Why would you not agree with this, what don't I know?

A. There are some residents who do not agree with this plan. We have listed their concerns and are made them known to Mr Cormier and his attorney, with the hope that their issues can be mitigated as part of the planning process.

Q. If Town Meeting approves Articles 45, 46 & 47, but Mr Cormier subsequently fails to win conservation or zoning approval for his plans, will the leagues still get 15 acres?
A. YES.

Q. Does rezoning set a dangerous precedent?

A. We do it to advance the greater good. Raytheon and Frontage Road are examples.

Q. What is required at Town Meeting?

A. A 2/3 majority must approve Articles 45, 46 & 47.

Q. Whose idea was this? Mr Cormier's?

A. No. It was the idea of Peg Campbell and Jim Arnold. They asked Mr Cormier to help.

Q. Is there an agreement in place with Tewksbury?

A. Not yet ... that is putting the cart before the horse. But, our Town has slews of arrangements of this nature already with all our neighbors (Tewksbury, North Reading, North Andover, Lawrence, etc)

Q. What happens to Mr Cormier's other 92 acres that abut this area?

A. The entire 129 acres are already zoned for homes.

Q. Can we juxtapose the ballfields and office buildings?

A. No. Deed restrictions, held by businesses including Holiday Inn, prohibit it. Also, the Planning Board emphasized that access from Holiday Inn/Rt 133 is not suitable for residential development... or families heading to playing fields. Planning recommends our plan because it would be wrong to have residents and/or young athletes trafficking an industrial site to reach their houses or playing fields.

Opinion

How to make Town Meeting better? Speak

EVERY YEAR AFTER TOWN MEETING, there is grumbling about the institution. Some say the town has become too big for Town Meeting. Certainly, there is no single room in town that could hold all of Andover's voters if everyone decided to attend – not that that's ever been a problem.

Others point to the lack of parking or to more hectic lifestyles and suggest it's time to allow people to watch from home and cast their votes by phone or over the Internet.

Many enjoy and support Town Meeting, but say they wouldn't know how to amend complicated items such as the budget on the Town Meeting floor. They'd like things simplified.

Though Town Meeting is not going anywhere for a while, it does need to be constantly improved. Those with ideas – or issues they believe need addressing – need not howl at the moon.

The Town Government Review Committee has been looking at government – and Town Meeting – for more than a year now. It will host its final public forum on Wednesday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m. in Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St. Residents are invited to attend, share concerns and make recommendations. The focus is primarily on Town Meeting.

Active citizens make Town Meeting and democracy work. That becomes more true the larger Andover grows. This town is already believed by some to be the largest community with a Town Meeting in the country. Andover needs sizable efforts from its residents to keep Town Meeting viable.

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GAMESMANSHIP



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

The Department of Community Services offered babysitting at Town Meeting this week. Above children play a game with Kristen McDonnell. Those who want babysitting for next week's Town Meeting nights should call DCS.

Override debate is just beginning



Neil Fater

..... residents to approve more money to complete jobs.

There are several articles on this year's ballot that ask for more money for construction projects that people have already approved. The town wants more cash for the safety-center construction, the new schools, Main Street improvements and installing lights at the intersection of Lovejoy and Dascomb roads.

The estimate to open the new schools was way off base. Even a year or so ago, school leaders were saying it would cost \$1.3 million, not \$2.2 million to open them. Now, the cost of opening the new schools is one of the main reasons given

for needing an override.

Given such issues, a week ago I would have said that the override effort will show that a growing number of residents are ready to say enough is enough. But if that's the case, those people aren't willing to say so at Town Meeting, as the override for school spending passed easily on Monday. That the override made it through Town Meeting is not a surprise – that it passed so easily is a minor one.

In 1991, the only other time Andover tried to pass an override of Proposition 2½ for its day-to-day operations, the vote was soundly defeated at the polls. But the vote at Town Meeting that year was relatively close, passing by only 897 to 738.

Monday's approval was 1,366 to 692. If nothing else, that should make the next few weeks before the June ballot vote pretty interesting. The override must be approved at a special election to go into effect.

So what now? Expect some hard campaigning on both sides. Selectman Brian Major told Town Meeting a \$2.5 million override will be needed next

year to maintain services, even if the override this year isn't passed. An override this year will exacerbate the problem, he says.

The Support Our Students pro-over-ride group says it will approach seniors, the group seen as most harmed by the town's ever-growing budget. It hopes to create ways to ease their tax burden.

Whatever happens at the polls in June, the budget debate cannot end.

Town Meeting showed once again that the schools clearly have a large constituency, made up of more than just parents. There's also still a large group out there that believe it's time to rein in town spending. Many of these people don't want to stand up in front of neighbors and say they can't afford to support "the children." But they can't afford to lose their homes either. Expect them to say so at the ballot box. Expect them to show that if the town is going to give still more to the schools, it needs to rein in cost increases elsewhere.

Neil Fater is editor of the *Andover Townsmen*. He can be reached at <nfater@andovertownsmen.com>.

LETTERS

Law and military

Editor, Townsman:

Concerns about US military combat readiness and ongoing weapons development have prompted the Pentagon to request that US environmental laws be waived at military installations as a matter of national security. From what I have read, our military forces continue to be the best trained and equipped units in the world. Our battle record is exemplary. The US military budget is the largest of any country and has an inventory of the most advanced weaponry ever designed and built. So where is the problem here?

The legacy of environmental degradation at US military installations has cost Americans billions during the past 30 years to clean up significant and dangerous sources of contamination. Our military services have taken on a massive clean-up program, making significant progress in overcoming, arresting and eliminating the contamination of soil, air and groundwater at many military installations across the country.

The case has not been made to the public that exempting military installations from environmental laws is needed. The consequences and the costs attributable to past activities at military installations resulting in environmental degradation are well known.

Our military services have made a significant commitment to site clean-up and environmental compliance during the past 30 years, and are better institutions for their efforts. Even with the burden of environmental compliance, our military forces are world-class. To seek exemption from environmental laws today, in the name of national security, is not warranted and would constitute a giant step backwards.

John F. Zipeto
14 Canterbury St.

Parking crunch keeps workers from Town Meeting votes

Editor, Townsman:

Buzz Stapczynski:

I attempted to attend Town Meeting on Monday, April 22. I arrived at the High School at about 7:40 p.m. and drove around looking for parking for about 20-25 minutes. There were no legal (or illegal) parking spots and access to the grass fields (which were devoid of cars) were blocked by parked cars. I called the town police at about 8:05 p.m. and they told me that all the parking lots (include the off-site lot) were full and suggested I park in the Shawsheen Plaza lot and walk back to Town Meeting. This did not appear to be a reasonable

solution. They also told me I could not park in any place that had a "no parking" sign. There were many other cars driving around whose drivers were also looking for parking.

I suspect that a disproportionate number of people who arrive late to Town Meeting, like myself, are coming directly from work and have no real option to arrive earlier, when there would be parking spaces available. Thus, the current situation tends to adversely impact a particular demographic segment of Andover's citizens.

I feel that the town of Andover had effectively prohibited me

from participating in Town Meeting (where I intended to vote in support for my children's education) by failing to provide adequate parking. Clearly, the town could have maintained an access path onto the grass field to effectively double or triple the number of available parking places.

Alternatively, the town could have supplied a shuttle bus to/from the Shawsheen Plaza lot, or had the meeting broadcast on the net or on cable, and allowed us to vote from home either over the net or by phone. I am certain there are other solutions as well.

Hayward Zwerling
10 Coventry Lane

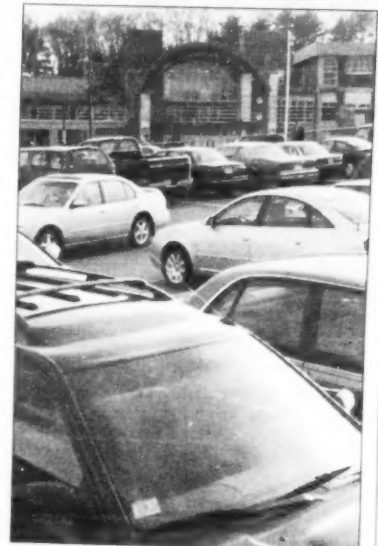


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The parking crunch was reduced on Tuesday.

Little League World Series team:

Youth sports fields are where success begins

Editor, Townsman:

Town of Andover:

In the summer of 1988, we represented Andover and the Eastern United States in the Little League World Series. That summer was a culmination of years participating in Andover athletics and was a stepping-stone to greater responsibility.

As early as age 5, we were learning meaningful life lessons because of Andover sports. On Andover fields we were educated in community, loyalty, discipline and, most of all, friendship.

Our success on the playing fields was directly related to the Andover community. Residents who did not have a son on the team, let alone a child in Andover youth sports, attended our games. People even made the drive to Williamsport, Pa. to provide support. The parade and rally that the town threw upon our return was enormous and mind boggling.

Relationships established that summer evolved into friendships. Not only for the children, but the parents, too. Fourteen years removed from that magical summer, many of our mothers are still close friends. They affectionately call themselves "The Lunch Bunch" and meet frequently. Andover sports brought

these families and many others closer.

Todd Harris has started a career in the Cleveland Indians front office. Rick Saggese is a scout for Cleveland, and teaches kids how to hit. Patrick Walsh and Dan Hansberry play golf together almost religiously. Paul Cassidy works on Wall Street. This summer Paul Allard is getting married and many of us will be there. Friendship and success is synonymous with Andover youth sports.

We have seen how athletics can unite a community. We have seen families become life-long friends. We have seen successes professionally and personally. The Andover fields we played on were the starting point for all of them. For these reasons, we're hoping there will be an open dialogue concerning the playing fields. We've benefited from Andover youth sports and we want future generations to have the same opportunity and privilege.

Andover National League
1988 Little League All-Stars:
Brian Flanagan,
Paul Cassidy, Toby Guzowski,
Todd Harris, Ryan Moynihan,
Paul Allard

(The names of six other members of the team were attached to this letter.)

Neighbors:

Lives, values affected

Editor, Townsman:

It is essential that Andover residents know all the facts before voting on Articles 45, 46 and 47 at Town Meeting. These articles and accompanying map, as listed in the Finance Committee report, do not clearly depict the number of residents who will be effected by this proposed zoning change. Our neighborhood of 46 homes is adjacent to that portion of the land where the proposed office building with its large parking lot and lights will be built if this property is zoned industrial. In fact, the yards of some of us are only 300 feet from this building site.

People's votes will affect our lives and property values, and set a precedent in Andover that could result in other inappropriate zoning changes. It is imperative that residents attend Town Meeting and vote "no" on Articles 45, 46 and 47, or the land next to them could be next.

Donald & Sheila Therrien, 3 Langley Lane;
Bill & Lynda Murray, 8 Ellsworth Road;
Bob & Louise Henderson, 9 Berkley Lane;
Mark & Susan Coneeny,
3 Belle Haven Drive
Steve & Carmella Brown,
1 Wellington Circle

(This letter was also signed by members of 35 other homes on the above streets, including people who wrote other letters.)

THE THURSDAY FILE

Yesterday is a canceled check; tomorrow is a promissory note; today is the only cash you have - so spend it wisely.

KAY LYONS

I don't believe that man was born to work for a living; I believe he was born to make what he lives for his work.

LES BROWN

If you are reluctant to ask the way, you will be lost.

MALAYSIAN PROVERB

Keep away from small people who try to belittle your ambitions. Small people always do that, but the really great make you feel that you, too, can become great.

MARK TWAIN

So-called good advice is always served with compliments and sprinkled with sugar. I don't like sugar.

VICTORIA WOLF

Life is to be lived. If you have to support yourself, you had bloody well better find some way that is going to be interesting. And you don't do that by sitting around wondering about yourself.

KATHARINE HEPBURN

The trouble with being punctual is that nobody's there to appreciate it.

FRANKLIN P. JONES

Wishing to be friends is quick work, but friendship is slow-ripening fruit.

ARISTOTLE

Easy reading is damned hard writing.

NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE

The JFK Quotation:

When written in Chinese, the word 'crisis' is composed of two characters - one represents danger and one represents opportunity.

Best Quotations sent in:

Leave safety behind. Put your body on the line. Stand before the people you fear and speak your mind - even if your voice shakes.

MAGGIE KUHN
FOUNDER OF GRAY PANTHERS

You measure democracy by the freedom it gives its dissidents, not the freedom it gives its assimilated conformists.

ABBY HOFFMAN

About "The Thursday File"

Steve MacDowall started "The Thursday File" two years ago. He sent it to 10 people. Today, the file is sent to more than 10,000 people.

The Web site is <www.hudsonvanloo.ca> and suggests books to read and Web sites worth visiting, along with quotations worth noting.

Above are some quotations from the most recent Thursday File, mailed electronically last week.

LETTERS: ZONING-FOR-FIELDS DEAL

Traffic safety issues with fields

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing in opposition to Article 45. While I am a resident of Far Corners, my property does not directly abut the proposed commercial development. However, I believe, as does Mark Vens, that there are serious traffic and safety issues for west Andover should this development be approved.

First, there could be up to 2,400 additional cars per day (1,200 coming and 1,200 going) on Route 133, which during normal commuting hours is already jammed. While people who don't have to get to work at set times may be able to avoid this, people who have set hours need to be able to get to work. This will undoubtedly lead to large numbers of people going to the proposed buildings seeking shortcuts through residential areas including River Road, High Plain Road, Boutwell Street, Bailey Road, Pleasant Street, Bellevue Road, Rutgers Road and Brown Street, since 133 will be tied up in both directions. Other people currently using 133 will likewise attempt to find shortcuts through residential areas. A sample of what can be expected is seen now when on occasion Interstate 495 is closed due to an accident between the Route 28 and 133 exits. At that point it becomes virtually impossible to enter onto 133 from Greenwood to North Street. It may be significant that the Cormier house on the corner of Evergreen and 133 has a sold sign on the property, above a sign urging passage of Article 45.

Second, there are serious safety issues that will arise out of increased traffic. There are substantial numbers of runners and walkers on Haggetts Pond, Bailey, and Rutgers roads. To send increased traffic on these roads is asking for serious injuries or worse. From personal experience I can tell you that the early evening and late afternoon sun on parts of Haggetts Pond can be blinding. This could clearly result in accidents given the number of runners, walkers, and bicyclists if the drivers are not accustomed to the area, and presumably many of them won't be since it is proposed to use the soccer and probably the baseball field for games against other towns. Especially noteworthy is the curve shortly before Rutgers Road where you come out of extreme shade in the late afternoon into blinding sun.

In summary, passage of Article 45 would be inadvisable not only because of the impact on homeowners in the immediate area, which can't be overstated, but because the infrastructure is unsuitable given the nature of the roads and lack of sidewalks on the side roads. We have already seen the problems posed in Ballardvale by the former Genetics Institute. There is no need to duplicate that experience.

Robert D. Jordan
1 Belle Haven Drive

Former official: Offices and fields would be better than houses

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing in support of Articles 45, 46 and 47 not just because of the generous offer of 15 prime acres for badly needed sports fields, or because I have no feelings for the concerns of the neighborhoods closest to the land to be rezoned, or because Yvon Cormier made a generous donation to the youth-center project. I support these articles because the proposed zoning change from residential to commercial makes sense and represents good planning.

The Planning Board, during the 10 years I was a member, always preached at Town Meeting that when considering a zoning change it's important to compare the existing allowed uses with the proposed change in allowed uses. One cannot fall in love with a particular plan, but must look at the possible allowed build out of the site under each zoning scenario. It is important to realize that the property will be developed and that the choice is not between open space and a fully developed site (so dismiss those dreams of viewing nothing but trees and wildlife from the window). With respect to Articles 45-47, the choice boils down to commercial offices or housing. Let's compare the two in the context of what's best for the town.

The biggest drawback of commercial development is that it generates more traffic than residential development. However, the access to and from this site is in Tewksbury on Route 133 on the Tewksbury side of the I-495 access ramps. Therefore, the vast majority of the traffic will

enter and exit from a major highway, and have little, if any, impact on Andover's residential neighborhoods. With respect to the cost of services to be provided to the site, a fiscal-impact study commissioned by the Planning Board several years ago revealed that the cost of services for commercial development was 36-percent less than the cost for residential development. For this site, water and sewer will be provided by Tewksbury if the two towns reach an inter-municipal agreement, thus significantly reducing the cost of these services. The largest cost of residential development (as we are seeing with this year's override request) is education and the provision of other human services to residents. With the explosion of comprehensive permits, which are not controlled by local government, residential development could translate into many more dwelling units than conventional single family homes, creating even more of a budgetary strain.

The character of the neighborhood is another factor to be considered. This site is adjacent to commercial development in Tewksbury and the highway and it will be separated from the balance of the residentially zoned land of the developer by AVIS land and the proposed fields. The closest home is more than 500 feet from any potential building site under the proposed zoning change. Adequate screening, if necessary to block any visual impairment to the affected neighborhood, could be addressed by the Planning Board if a development plan is presented for the permit approval process.

Another important benefit of the zoning change is increased tax revenue. Not only does commercial property add 36 percent more tax revenue than residential when factoring in the cost of services (in this case more due to the Tewksbury services), but because of tax classification, commercial property pays a 37 percent higher tax rate than residential. That is a net revenue gain of 73 percent per year.

Although the gift of fields should not be the only reason to vote for these articles, it should not be the reason to vote against them. For years the Planning Board has tried to persuade developers to provide pedestrian links to other neighborhoods or to conservation land, or to consider cluster development to provide the town with more open space. The law forbids government regulatory bodies from requiring these benefits. I, personally, have been advocating that the town enter into more partnerships with our business citizens so that needed projects or services do not continue to burden our residential taxpayers (especially those on fixed income). The Open Space and Recreation Task Force determined that we have a need for playing fields. If one of our business citizens generously offers to fulfill that need and it doesn't compromise our principles (as this zoning proposal does not do), we should thank him and encourage others to step up and do the same.

Michael H. Miller
Former Planning Board chairman
5 David Drive

Don't be 'easy marks' for developers

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am quite concerned about the implications of Article 45, which proposes that we agree to rezone some residential property into commercial office space, in return for which two youth sports groups will receive some land that can be used for playing fields. I have three points about this:

First, this is unseemly. It sounds like we are selling our zoning. My understanding is that every family in town who loves sports is going to vote for this, but I would hope that some people will reconsider. We should be doing things for the right reasons, not for the wrong reasons. Zoning is something that eventually seems to affect all of us, and my guess is that this will only get worse. As the population of the Boston area continues to grow and people look at the convenience of locating at the junction of Interstates 495 and 93, we are going to have many more developers who would like to rezone land in Andover for higher density housing. I would hate to have the citizens of Andover have the reputation of being easy marks for developers who can throw us a little money and get any zoning they want. It's not what we should be.

Second, I agree that we need playing fields. What I question is how many. I would think that we have enough, especially with the fields at the two new schools, but perhaps I'm wrong. I think that we need a plan for playing fields — how many, where they should be located, what facilities they have, what condition they are in, etc. Maybe we

have such a plan, and I just don't know about it, but my guess is that we don't. And I would rather us have higher quality playing fields, rather than just more playing fields. Quality is better than quantity, and "more" is not a good answer.

Third, this doesn't sound like a choice piece of land for playing fields. People I work with have said that much of it was under water this spring, and we all know how little rain we have had. There are apparently several small streams that run through the land that would add considerable cost to building fields. We should ask ourselves why the developer is willing to part with it. Is it because it's non-buildable land, with little or no value? If this is true, the developer would be getting a very good deal from us, giving us worthless land in exchange for revised zoning. Plus the location is not real great for many of us. My guess is that it's eight miles from the center of town, and 14 miles of more from some parts of town. We should be careful what we ask for, because we might end up getting stuck with it.

David Sand
17 Abbot St.

Change would set precedent

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Fellow Residents:

My family has lived in West Andover for three generations. I moved back to Andover when I was married several years ago. We live in a quiet residential neighborhood near Tewksbury. My neighborhood is impacted by the implications of Article 45 — yours could be also.

This article would rezone land currently zoned as residential land to industrial land. There has been a lot of publicity about Article 45 concerning much needed ball fields for the town. This article states nothing about ball fields. It is about rezoning 129 acres of land in West Andover to Industrial. As part of the conditions of the rezoning, land would be donated to local baseball and soccer associations to be used for fields.

The exchange of valuable land for favorable votes is appalling. Is this the manner in which we want important decisions to be made? If Article 45 passes, it will set a precedent for rezoning of residential land, not to mention the precedent of the dubious land for votes exchange.

Vote no on Article 45 because:
• Article 45 is about rezoning, not

ball fields. If the lure of ball fields were not involved, this article would never pass.

• The land involved with Article 45 has residential abutters. Little of the publicity to date has explained that this rezoning affects many residential neighborhoods off Bailey Road, Haggetts Pond Road, and Lowell Street. The map included in the Finance Committee report, submitted by the developer, does not show any of the residential neighborhoods affected. His article will mutate those neighborhoods and directly impact at least several hundred residents.

• Article 45 sets dangerous precedents. These include rezoning residential land to industrial, exchanging valuable land for favorable votes, and allowing rezoning to occur without detailed plans having been presented or reviewed by the town or the Planning Board.

Do not let the wishes of a few affect the lives of every resident. Let's preserve Andover's integrity and character for the next generation of residents.

Beth Bellia Vumbaco
7 Langley Lane

Former selectman: Zoning change stands on its own

Editor, *Townsmen*:

After taking a good look at the site and the surrounding area, the best use for that part of the land in question is what is planned by the developer. Adjacent to the hotel, with the entrance west of the I-495 intersection, it will not result in a major increase in traffic on Route

133. If the article is approved the developer must still address restrictions that the planning board may require. The Planning Board has recommended approval of the article.

The plan also must meet the approval of our outstanding building inspector. If the article is passed and the buildings are built, then the

town would have a tax benefit, without supplying the usual services. I was surprised to see that the selectmen took a vote on this article prior to the Planning Board report. This is very unusual. I would hope that they would reconsider.

Gerald H. Silverman
Selectman, 1980-1998

LETTERS: ZONING-FOR-FIELDS DEAL

Unknown results

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The fear of the unknown. That is how I am feeling about developer Yvon Cormier's four warrant articles – 45, 46, 47 and 59. Andover Planning Director Steve Coyler states "The problem is, there's a total absence of planning. Your zoning should be based on good, comprehensive planning of the community, to see how the whole puzzle fits together." When I hear about Article 45, the focus is not on the change from residential to industrial zoning, but about playing fields. At first glance, you might even believe that this is a "win-win" situation. But, the article is about rezoning, it is not about playing fields.

Just connect the dots. If approved, Articles 45, 46, 47 and 59 significantly change the zoning bylaws of not only the 129 acres off Haggetts Pond Road but throughout the town, with a total absence of planning on the developer's part. Articles 46 and 47 request that Andover form intermunicipal agreements with other towns to provide water and sewer for the entire 129 acres. This is not something the town should enter lightly. What is the town's experience with doing this? Why is the developer asking for the full 129 acres when Article 45 only addresses 22 acres? Sounds like lack of planning at best, but perhaps it really is so people won't connect the dots. Is the developer being forthright? Article 59 requests a zoning bylaw change that covers the entire town. It would encourage the development of attached cluster housing by removing a maximum size for the parcel and reducing the minimum lot size from 10 acres to three acres. In other words, if there is an open parcel of land of three acres in a neighborhood, it would be available to be considered for attached cluster housing or condominiums.

Let's make an informed decision. These have become emotional articles for many – the neighbors, the sports organizations and many concerned citizens. I always was taught, when making a decision, to take out the emotion and seek to understand before passing judgment. I know that for me it was helpful to review the Planning Board's mission and the selectmen's vision for Andover:

Planning Board mission: "To ensure the orderly growth and development of the town through sound planning practices and through the implementation of the recommendations of the Master Plan."

Selectmen vision: "Andover, more than a place to live, is a way of life. Its legacy of democracy shall be preserved. Each citizen should experience the treasures of nature, history, individual respect, neighborhood and learning. As resources and energy allow, each of these gifts from the past will be enriched in the present for those yet to be."

I'm voting no. The developer has not done his homework. The plans do not exist. I don't believe that the articles fit into the Planning Board's

or town's goals. I respectfully request that developer Yvon Cormier withdraw the articles and provide the town with the planning we expect from all our citizens. If the articles are not withdrawn, I hope people understand the full impact of the articles and join me in voting no.

Tricia McCall
4 Langley Lane

Progressive plan

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Articles 45, 46 and 47 to rezone the property behind the Holiday Inn on the Andover-Tewksbury line will be the central issue at this Monday night's Town Meeting. The question looks straightforward. On one hand, the town receives \$500,000 a year in new taxes and the sports associations receive badly needed space for new ball fields. The neighbors who about the potential rezoned property have raised concerns about the impact of the office buildings on their quality of life and those near the entrance to the ball fields are concerned that traffic will impact theirs.

In usual form, the discussion has been raised to epic proportions pitting good against evil and special-interest group against special-interest group. The proposed arrangement is described as "making a deal with the devil." As available land disappears and community needs continue to grow, we will encounter more and more situations like this.

Yvon Cormier's proposal is good planning. It proposes extending an existing office park and offers to provide land to the sports associations as an added benefit. Although the underlying zoning decision must be made on its merits alone, the developer's proposal to create additional benefit must be an important part of the decision Monday night.

Cities and towns all over the country see this type of offer as progressive public policy. From Park City, Utah to Jackson Hole, Wyo., from Miami to Sacramento, offsets have taken the form of open space, roadways, and special street lighting, to parks, school additions and low-income housing. By this measure, Article 45 is a main stream idea.

The days of single dimension decision-making are over for Andover. I support this initiative because it is appropriate zoning for the parcel in question, helps solve a legitimate community need, and provides valuable financial resources for the town. Most exciting, it is a private initiative, brought to the community by a group of creative, committed citizens.

Tom Jones
62 Porter Road

Homes within 300 feet of parking lot

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing in response to Bonnie Spurr's recent letter supporting Article 45. I cannot help but respond from the depths of my

heart, since I am one of the abutters, one of the owners of a cherished home in the tranquil setting near the "Tewksbury town line."

Perhaps she "walked the sites, studied the maps of the affected areas, and drove through the surrounding neighborhoods." She mentions that "there are no direct abutters to the proposed office park or fields." I ask her to imagine a parking lot with halogen lights only 300 feet from my yard. This yard is where my children played, where deer graze, and mallards swim, and red tail hawk soar. This residential property is part of a secluded neighborhood, removed from downtown Andover proper, but still the same town that draws people to it for its quality of life, its schools, and its thoughtful people. I ask her to reconsider this "good deal" gone awry by the powers of a wealthy builder and keep the land residential.

P.S. The walking tour that's planned would be a much shorter distance from Berkeley Lane than from the Tewksbury Holiday Inn. Stop in for coffee.

Louise Henderson
9 Berkeley Lane

45 – Votes for sale

Editor, *Townsmen*:

The polite term for the quid-pro-quo agreement between Yvon Cormier, Andover Little League and the Andover Soccer Association is "contract rezoning," but nearly everyone I've spoken with about warrant Article 45, for and against, recognize it for what it really is, a simple case of buying and selling votes.

I am one of the many residents who will likely see the character and value of our neighborhood decline should Article 45 pass. I have been absolutely amazed and frankly startled by the cavalier and casual attitude with which people I respect are willing to trade off my quality of life so that a son or daughter might someday have a better athletic field to play on. This point was recently driven home when, on multiple occasions, I approached local attorneys about representing my neighborhood's interests. Each responded in a similar fashion. They respectfully declined because of their involvement in Little League and soccer. In so many words the underlying message was that trading off my quality of life and my property value for additional athletic fields was a sacrifice they were prepared to make. The "moose on the table" here is why is this even a choice? Why are reasonable people being asked to make industrial zoning decisions when all they really care about is a place for their kids to play? Answer: "contract rezoning."

Were it not for the offer of free land for ball fields (wetlands at that), does anyone really believe people from Little League and soccer would be turning out in droves at Town Meeting to support Cormier's quest to build office buildings abut-

ting my neighborhood? The truth is the average person could care less. When this exact proposal was previously put before Town Meeting, it was hastily withdrawn because the only people who turned up to speak for or against were the homeowners being directly impacted.

This is a simple case of buying votes – not how most of us imagine the system is supposed to work.

So I have a proposal. I'm completely in favor of youth athletics and supporting our kids. If Cormier wants to give land to the Little League and Andover Soccer Association (or better yet to the town) let him do so – no strings attached. Withdraw the article and resubmit next year, when we can all judge the petitioner's request on its own merits. In the meantime, if our kids need more space for competitive athletics, why aren't we using our brand new schools?

David and Linda Ataide
11 Belle Haven Drive

No for Article 59

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I would like to bring attention to Article 59, which calls for a rezoning of more than 100 acres around Haggetts Pond Road.

This land is currently zoned for single-family residential housing. Article 59 is asking us to approve a zoning change that significantly increases the amount of condos/cluster housing that can be built on the parcel.

Current zoning has a cap of 25 acres that can be used for such housing but this article is asking for this cap to be removed entirely. In addition, the builder has not provided the Andover zoning board or selectmen with any plans as to what is to be built on the site. This proposal along with Articles 45, 46 and 47, which are aimed at changing a portion of the same parcel to industrial zoning, is part of an overall plan to significantly change the character of Andover and to allow industrial creep. I ask residents to please vote no on Article 59 and its sister Articles 45, 46, and 47, at least until a detailed plan is submitted so we can all clearly understand what it is they are asking us to approve.

Thomas Mullins
Berkeley Lane

Neighborhoods cannot be for sale

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing to express my opposition to warrant Articles 45, 46, 47 and 59. We now know that the developer is trying put together a grand scheme: rezoning single-family-zoned land for industrial use, along with the placement of what could be as many as 200 condominiums on the rest of the parcel. Along the way, Yvon Cormier is willing to hand over 15 (out of 120) acres for playing fields to attain his goal.

Town officials have come out strongly against these articles. According to Steve Colyer, planning

director "there are no planning details to support this proposal. Any zoning change should be based on good, comprehensive planning." Selectman Mary Lyman was quoted in the *Townsmen*: "I can't imagine living in a house and knowing that the land (next door) is being rezoned industrial." It is clear that the developer is employing a clever tactic to trick residents into supporting this deal with the soccer and baseball associations' support.

There is no doubt the developer will reap huge profits with industrial zoning. In addition, the developer will enjoy significant tax advantages in the granting of acreage to non-profit organizations. Now, with the knowledge that the developer is hoping to maximize the potential of the balance of the single residence zoned land for condos, it seems he is hoping for a "triple play." Andover residents and their neighborhoods will be left holding the bag.

As the parent of three elementary-school-age children enrolled in both the baseball and soccer leagues, I am greatly sympathetic to the playing-fields dilemma. But this proposal is not the answer. However one wishes to portray this deal – as a bribe, extortion, or buying votes – it is a tainted proposal. I would encourage the developer to work with officials and neighborhood groups, baseball and soccer groups, to secure and appropriate land in a clear and reputable manner.

Recently, selectmen voted against supporting Articles 45, 46, 47 and 59. I believe the selectmen saw through the facade of the developer's proposal. With their vote, selectmen voted to preserve and protect the integrity of zoning in all the neighborhoods throughout our town, not just in West Andover. We cannot allow developers the opportunity to destroy a neighborhood's character for personal gain. Our neighborhoods are not for sale. This deal is not in Andover's best interest. It is all about a developer's best interest.

Tom Adie
4 Ellsworth Road

Question 'bribe'

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing to urge all Andover voters to educate themselves on the implications of Articles 45, 46, 47 and 59. Make no mistake, Article 45 is about re-zoning, it is not a heaven-sent and no-strings-attached offer by a sympathetic and generous developer.

Re-zoning is a very serious matter. Historically, Andover residents have been very judicious and careful in their planning and allocating for industrial development. Residents shouldn't let this poorly planned and questionable bribe of land for playing fields cloud their judgment about what is right for the town. Let's not set a dangerous precedent; poor planning and careless zoning changes are not how this great town was built.

Lisa Guidoboni
4 Ellsworth Road

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ALL THOSE YEARS AGO

100 Years Ago - 1902

The board of public works has started to make a survey of the schools grounds and Richardson Field for the park commissioners.

The hen house and barn owned by Fred M. Temple on Andover hill was entered last Tuesday evening and several hens stolen. A quantity of grain was also taken.

June 24. The "old" committee voted last month to settle for the lesser hourly requirement set by the state.

A 14-member committee to help determine the course Andover schools will take in the face of declining enrollments, will be set up early next month and expected to report back with recommendations by November.

The Andover School Committee voted Tuesday night not to snip some \$50,000 off next year's salary budget to save the taxpayers 18 to 20 cents on the tax rate increase.

50 Year Ago - 1952

Dividing the Central PTA into two units beginning next September is being considered by a committee appointed at a regular meeting last month. One unit would serve the Central Elementary School and the other would serve Punchard and the junior high school.

Negative X-ray reports bearing the news that "the result of your chest X-rays is satisfactory" have been sent out by the Essex County Health Association to 4,993 individuals or 96 percent of the 5,184 counted and X-rayed in the Andover X-ray survey.

The selectman, on the recommendation of the fire chief, voted this week to purchase an American LaFrance pumper for Central Station at a cost of \$17,000.

25 Years Ago - 1977

Building permits issued during March totaled \$442,930, with \$315,000 of the total for new homes. Fees turned over to the treasurer by the building inspector for the month totaled \$1,281.

The last day of school has been changing with the weather the past few weeks, and Tuesday night it was moved once again - to Friday,

The 32 members of the Police Patrolmen's Union will meet for another contract vote April 7, and this time ratification is expected, according to Officer Thomas Siopes, union president.

Cuddle Care Day Care on South Main Street received an \$18,000 grant for its "Enhancing Quality Day Care."

Parents made demands last Thursday, when they attended the joint meeting of the School Committee, selectmen and Finance Committee. Parents want poor building conditions at West Middle School righted.

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Marie and Leo Bernard are frequent Town Meeting attendees. Marie Bernard also tried keeping herself busy with quilting this year.



From left, Patricia Edmonds and Helen Eccles at Town Meeting on Tuesday.

Love at first vote

Some residents consider Town Meeting a great show – and wouldn't miss it

By Rebecca Piro

It's Monday, the first night of Town Meeting, and the voting doesn't get underway until 7 p.m. But Ernest Hall has been at the Andover High School Field House – waiting – since quarter past 6.

"I sat right here last year," says the Chester Street resident eagerly. For every year of his life in Andover, and that means most of his life, Hall has looked forward to Town Meeting. He's one of several residents for whom the fanfare and fun is just as important – if not more so – than the voting.

Hall, for one, pulls up a chair at Town Meeting not so much to have a say in community issues, but to find out what everybody else is saying.

"What I like about Town Meeting is you find out what everybody's thinking," he says. "You may know what your neighbor's thinking, but not the other part of town."

It turns out that some avid voters have a theory about the Town

Meeting seating, believing it's no accident that the same faces pop up in the same places every April. Apparently, finding and keeping your favorite seat is as much part of the competition as the voting.

"People who come to Town Meeting (regularly) migrate to the same spot year after year," says Ken Ozoonian of Osgood Street, seated a couple rows from the front. "We sit in the same general area."

In front of him is Cyr Circle resident Mary Carbone. "They saved this seat for me!" she exclaims. "My name was on it." An actual nametag is nowhere to be found, but the way Ozoonian reassuringly pats the back of her chair – apparently Carbone is his annual Town Meeting buddy – suggests there may be some truth in her statement. There may be some motivation, too. "He votes the way I do," Carbone adds, laughing. "No, I'm kidding!"

There's another reason some arrive early to sit up close. Car-

bone, whose face is a regular at selectmen and Planning Board meetings, wants to sit close to the town and school officials on stage. Ozoonian wants to see them squirm. "We want to see their facial expressions!" he says.

There's one face in particular that Dan Cote of Kathleen Drive wants to see. "You can't not come and watch him," he says, gesturing to the podium on the stage, where only one man stands year after year. Some residents come to see the color of his suit jacket. Others lean forward to hear his one-liners. He's the town's moderator for the past 24 years, Jim Doherty.

Despite his sarcasm, Doherty will tell you that being moderator is one serious job. In fact, don't even bother looking for him the day of Town Meeting after lunchtime. On Monday, he didn't return the phone calls of a *Townsmen* reporter for that very reason.

"I went into seclusion. I was just resting," he says. He needs it, he adds, to be prepared to control

the crowd of 2,000 people that piles into the field house. It's no surprise that his least favorite part of the entire event is "people who talk too long." It follows that his favorite thing is the "three ups" that Doherty says are basic to public speaking: "People who stand up, speak up and shut up," he jokes.

Three ladies came in a show of solidarity for senior citizens Monday night. While they weren't planning on speaking up, they were ready to stand up – against the override.

"These poor ladies came with their canes and everything!" exclaims Mary Winters of Princeton Avenue. Sitting next to her on the edge of their seats were Rollie McAllister and Barbara Chabala, both of North Main Street.

Canes weren't the only items in tow. Voters brought quilting, knitting and sketching with them to keep their hands busy when they weren't busy voting. Rocky Hill Road resident Peter Wood was

sketching a plan for an iguana cage for his son. His wife, Florence Feldman-Wood, had the beginnings of a multi-colored scarf and knitting needles on her lap. "You can get a lot done!" she laughed. Resident Marie Bernard, who brought her quilting to Town Meeting, would agree. "You don't need to totally concentrate," she said goodnaturedly – assumedly about her quilting. "I don't like to waste time."

One familiar face not present Monday night was John Doyle, the man who, for years, attended every Town Meeting and arrived at selectmen's meetings with his home-made parabolic ear and recording device, or "salad bowl" as Doherty calls it. Doherty believes his former rival for moderator is living out of town in a nursing home. "We fought back and forth over the years... but I always respected him. He wasn't afraid to say where he stood, and he wasn't afraid to put his name on the ballot," says Doherty.

TOWN MEETING ARTICLES TO BE DEBATED NEXT WEEK

28: \$1 million in projects

The town requests \$1,060,000 to repair, remodel or reconstruct public buildings. \$935,000 is going to the schools. This will cover all costs for climate-control and ventilation projects for West Elementary, West Middle, Doherty, and Shawsheen schools; renovating the Collins Center stairs and replacing Bancroft's gymnasium, removing its tower and rebuilding its stairs. On the town side, \$125,000 will go towards HVAC

and electrical system upgrades and a fire alarm system in the Town Offices. "We can't put them off," said Joe Piantedosi. He called the projects "priority items." The Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee recommend approval.

— Ben Hellman

32: Town as landlord?

Officials say they need \$200,000 for maintenance of two buildings and one piece of vacant land, located at 16 Haverhill St.

and 7 and 10 Tantallon Road. The town foreclosed upon those properties this month for unpaid taxes and is now essentially the landlord.

The building at 16 Haverhill St. currently houses Brookridge Community Church and Perpetual Motion, says Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski. The building at 7 Tantallon Road is empty. The town will use the money to keep the buildings safe and in working order while it decides what to do with the properties.



38: Historic homes article will be moved from warrant.

38 and 39 to be withdrawn

Proponent Michael Ristuccia has withdrawn his articles for a historic overlay district.

In February, Ristuccia picked up the Capt. Stephen Abbot House from its Ballardvale Road location and plunked it down on South Main Street to preserve it from demolition. The lot, however, is too small for a house, according to the town's current zoning bylaw. To fix the problem – and to encourage other residents to save Andover's historic homes – Ristuccia

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OBITUARIES

Enid L. Steele*Was active in local theatre groups*

Enid L. (Enright) Steele, 84, of Andover, died Monday, April 22 at Holy Family Hospital in Methuen.

Mrs. Steele worked at Ludington Footwear and Converse Rubber until she retired in 1975.

Born in Liverpool, England, she moved to the United States in 1956 from Glasgow, Scotland.

She was a member of United Riverside Congregational Church, where she was active with the women's auxiliary.

Mrs. Steele directed several amateur theater productions for area churches, and was a founding member, past president, director and performer of the Garrett Players, a theater group that performed in the Greater Lawrence area.

She was the widow of John M. Steele.

Members of her family include her daughters, Laura Mann of Littleton, Colo., Jacqueline Steele and partner Russell Gamache of Henderson, Nev., and Linda and her husband Fred Fuoco of Salem, N.H.; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours were scheduled

for Wednesday, April 24 from 5 to 7 p.m., followed by a funeral service at 7 p.m. at John Breen Memorial Funeral Home, 122 Amesbury St., Lawrence. Cremation will be at a later date.

William A. Suter*Lived here 40 years*

William A. Suter, 82, of York, Maine and formerly of Andover, died Tuesday, March 19, in York Hospital.

He was a native of Norfolk, Va., the son of Fred A. and Sallie D. Suter, and the husband of Constance Spurr Suter for 54 years.

After his 1939 graduation from Maury High School, he worked in the US Naval Ammunition Depot, St. Julien's Creek, Portsmouth, Va., until he joined the Navy during wartime.

A veteran of WWII, he served aboard the "original" USS Saratoga aircraft carrier. After the war ended, he became a student at the VPI Extension of William & Mary College and completed a two-year civil engineering course.

He then reenlisted in the US Navy as a station keeper on the Norfolk Air Station, where he served until he and his wife moved to Andover.

Once established here, he became an employee of the US Civil Service and built a 29-year career servicing the USAF military aircraft at Hanscom Field,

Bedford, Mass.

During that period, he was promoted to be the work center supervisor of three maintenance hangers for the repair performance on each aircraft stationed there, such as jet engines, reciprocating engines, and other aircraft.

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"We built our home on McKenney Circle and brought up our family there. We moved to York, Maine about 4½ years ago and still have friends in Andover. We brought our 40 years of happy memories with us to York," said Constance Suter.

In addition to his wife, members of his family include a son, Robert; a daughter, Diane Simmers and her husband Brian; a granddaughter, Ashley Bartlett; two step-grandchildren, Jillian and Matthew Simmers; a sister-in-law, Ruth Poore Spurr; four nieces, two nephews, and their children.

Reverend Dussie of Grace Episcopal Church (where the Suters were married) offered prayers and solace at the funeral

DEATHS

Flora B. Boucher, 100
Rose R. Czekanski, 91
Charlotte Mae Dauber, 71
Grace Leila Fettes, 86
Denise Gaudet, 38
Lillian Ingalls, 92
Andrew D. "Don" Milne, 79
Joseph Puglisi, 82
Alexander J. Ross, 76
Enid L. Steele, 84
William A. Suter, 82
James Whyte, 73

services, which were private, followed by cremation.

Arrangements were by the Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home in Andover.

Lillian Ingalls*Taught for 40 years*

Lillian (Rohde) Ingalls, 92, died Tuesday, April 23 at Wingate of Andover Nursing Home.

Mrs. Ingalls was a teacher for more than 40 years, teaching in New York and Baltimore until she retired in 1975.

Born in Yonkers, N.Y., she attended Cortland State Normal School and received a bachelor's degree from Towson State University in Maryland. She formerly lived in Baltimore, Md., and Grafton, N.Y.

She was active with the Girl Scouts, serving as a senior troop leader, and was the first leader to take a troop to Europe and Mexico.

Members of her family include her husband of 68 years, Warren A. Ingalls of Andover; daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Terry Crossfield of Andover; and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

There will be no calling hours; graveside services are private.

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

BOUCHER — Flora B. (Chretien) Boucher, 100, of Salem, N.H., died Thursday, April 18 at home. Mrs. Boucher owned and operated Flora's Fish & Chip Store in Lawrence for several years, and retired from Raytheon Co. in Andover.

DAUBER — Charlotte Mae (Valmont) Dauber, 71, of North Andover, died Thursday, April 18 at Prescott House Nursing Home. Mrs. Dauber worked as a tax examiner for the IRS in Andover for 21 years, retiring in 1992. Burial was in Spring Grove Cemetery in Andover.

FETTES — Grace Leila (Lambert) Fettes, 86, of Hampstead, N.H., died Thursday, April 18 at Rockingham County Nursing Home in Brentwood, N.H. Mrs. Fettes was an assembler for Packard Research Corp. in Andover. Burial was in West Parish Garden Cemetery, Andover.

MILNE — Andrew D. "Don" Milne, 79, of North Andover died Sunday, April 22 at his home. Members of his family include his brother, Alexander Milne, of Andover.

PUGLISI — Joseph Puglisi, 82, of Methuen, died Tuesday, April 9 in North Andover. Members of his family include his daughter, Mary, and her husband, James Noonan of Andover; and a sister-in-law, Ida Puglisi of Andover.

ROSS — Alexander John Ross, 76, of Lowell, died Monday, April 22, at home. Members of his family include his daughter and son-in-law, Linda Elaine and Edward Fitzgerald of Andover.

Burial will be in Grafton.

Arrangements are by Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover.

Denise Gaudet*Attended Andover schools*

Denise Gaudet, 38, died Tuesday, April 16 at Lawrence General Hospital.

She was born in Methuen.
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OBITUARIES

■ DENISE GAUDET

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attended Andover schools and graduated from the Greater Lawrence Technical School.

She was associated with Fidelity House.

Ms. Gaudet worked at Vicor for the Greater Lawrence Collaborative. She was a Eucharistic minister at St. Augustine Church.

She attended Camp Fatima in Gilmanston, N.H. She lived inde-

pendently for the last seven years with her companion and friend Ann Athanas.

Members of her family include her father, Joseph Gaudet of Andover; a sister, Michelle Belkis of Brentwood, N.H.; a brother, Briant, of Ocean Park, Maine; two nieces; and a nephew.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, April 20 at St. Augustine Church, 43 Essex St., Andover. Cremation will be in Linwood Crematory, Haverhill.

Arrangements were by the Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Fidelity House Inc., 55 Merrimack St., Lawrence, MA 01843.

Rose R. Czekanski

30-year resident attended St. Augustine Church

Rose R. (Shola) Czekanski, 91, of Windham, N.H., died Saturday, April 20 at Nevins Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Methuen.

Mrs. Czekanski was a packer for Lawrence Maid Shoe and Blue Bonnett Shoe before she retired.

She also formerly worked in Boston when she lived in that city.

Born and educated in Lawrence, she lived in Andover for more than 30 years before moving to Windham more than 10 years ago.

She attended St. Francis Church in Lawrence and St. Augustine Church in Andover.

She was the widow of Joseph A. Czekanski.

Members of her family include her sons and daughters-in-law, Joseph A. and Francine of Windham and John A. and Norinne of Hudson; seven grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; four great-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Calling hours were scheduled for Wednesday, April 24 from 1 to 2 p.m., followed by a funeral service at 2 p.m. at Boles Memorial-Baron-McAuliffe-Yameen Funeral Home, 184 Jackson St., Lawrence. Burial will be in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Lawrence.

James Whyte

Taught at West Middle School until his retirement

James Whyte, 73, of Andover,

died Monday, April 22 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Mr. Whyte was a teacher at West Middle School in Andover until he retired.

He was born in Brattleboro, Vt.

Members of his family include his wife, Shirley A. (Seney) Whyte; daughter and son-in-law Heather A. Whyte-Kattas and Paul of Basking Ridge, N.J.; a sister, Jessie Blazejewski of Northfield; one granddaughter; and sev-

eral nieces and nephews.

Calling hours were held Wednesday, April 24 at Burke Funeral Home, 390 N. Main St., Andover. Private burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Parkinson's Disease Foundation, William Black Medical Research Building, Columbia-Presbyterian Medical Center, 710 W. 168th St., New York City, NY 10032-9982.

FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Andover Senior Center

Here are some of the activities coming up at the Andover Senior Center.

The Splendor Of Stained Glass: On Monday, April 29 at 1:30 p.m., the center will host Museum of Fine Arts lecturer Miriam Butts, who will trace the development of stained glass as an art form. This slide lecture will cover ancient Egypt, show remarkably preserved mosaics from Italy, and monumental stained glass panels from medieval cathedrals of France, Germany and England. The second part of this program will be a

trip to tour glass masterpieces at Boston churches on Thursday, May 16. Cost of the entire program - lecture, tour and transportation - is \$35. Reservations are being accepted at the front desk. Don't miss this most interesting program.

Nature/Birding Walks: Al Retelle will offer a four-week session of nature walks beginning Monday, April 29. Walks will leave from the center at 7:30 a.m. There is no charge, but sign-up is necessary so we will know how many people to expect. Come experience spring migration at its best.

OBITUARIES

The Townsman will publish obituaries of Andover residents without charge.

The paper also will publish without charge a short announcement of those people who died and did not live here, but are related to someone who lives in Andover. This listing will include the name of the deceased, where he or she lived, when he or she died, and names of relatives in Andover.

Those who wish to have a complete obituary published about a person who did not live in Andover can pay for a death notice. The cost of a death notice depends on the length of the notice.

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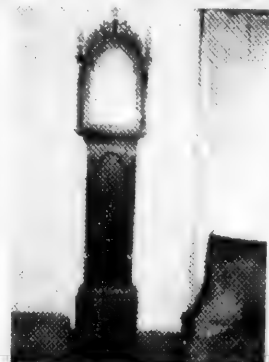
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Town Meeting approval: Lights, buses

Article 20: Downtown holiday

The town will spend \$18,000 from existing funds to buy, lease, install and maintain holiday lights in the downtown area.

Article 20, submitted by the selectmen passed at Town Meeting on Tuesday night. Some of the areas the lighting will be put are: Elm Green, Andover Town House, Memorial Hall Library, the Town Offices and the trees lining Main Street from Elm Square to Olde Andover Village.

Article 16: Transportation

The town voted to provide \$25,000 to continue to provide transportation subsidy for elderly and disabled citizens. The Council on Aging submitted the request, which was passed without debate. It allows residents 60 years and older to ride free on MVRTA fixed Routes 21 and 22 and a "call ride service" known as EZTrans.

Ben Hellman

ACT out: No new Heather Drive land

By Rebecca Piro

Heather Drive residents rallied against Article 25 Tuesday night and won — saying that they weren't prohibiting affordable housing, but preventing damage to their own homes.

Article 25, petitioned by Andover Community Trust, a group dedicated to increasing the town's affordable housing stock, asked residents to hand over a parcel of town land on Heather Drive for affordable housing.

ACT already owns another parcel that abuts the lot in question. Members hoped, with the approval of Article 25, to build two permanently affordable homes on the two lots. ACT built its first such house last year on Haverhill Street and sold it to a family that makes between 60 to 80 percent of the area median income of \$64,000. The house is deeded so that its resale value cannot grow faster than the area's median income.

Kenneth Griffin of Heather Drive spoke for himself and fellow residents, saying the lots — especially the lot named in Article 25 — are too wet to build on. If ACT did try to build houses there, he said it would affect drainage and create a dam-like effect on Heather Drive.

"They don't even know if they can build on it. Those of us who live near it know you usually have to walk through it in hip boots... or not at all," Griffin said.

Jim Cuticchia, a member of ACT, tried to assure residents that ACT would only build there if it proved beneficial for everyone involved. "We are not going to do something to harm the neighbors,"

he said. "We are not going to get land donated to us in Andover that are the best pieces of land. They are going to have problems."

The vote failed a two-thirds majority with 197 voting in support and 196 voting against.

"I'm very disappointed," said Victoria Johnston of Salem Street, a proponent of affordable housing.

"I thought it would probably pass," said Terry Anderson, a member of ACT. "We anticipated some opposition from the neighbors. The thing (voters) lost sight of in the debate was that we weren't discussing the design of the house. We were discussing the (transfer) of the land."

ACT will continue to plan construction of one house on the lot it already owns, says Susan Stott, president of ACT. Members will put together a plan to submit to the Zoning Board of Appeals, and elicit donations and labor for the actual construction, as was done with the Haverhill Street house. After that house is completed, it's possible ACT will return to Town Meeting to ask for the second lot again.



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Kenneth Griffin outlined for Town Meeting problems that he said a new home would bring to Heather Drive.

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- It turns residentially zoned land abutting neighborhoods into industrial property.
- It places 2 office buildings, parking lots for 1200 cars and 24-hour-a-day lighting within 300 feet of homeowners' backyards.

- **Article 45 sets a dangerous rezoning precedent**

- Andover Board of Selectmen - NOT IN FAVOR
- League of Women Voters - NOT IN FAVOR
- Planning Board Director, Steve Colyer - NOT IN FAVOR

- **Article 45 is unethical (if not illegal)**

- The developer's proposal is an open attempt to buy votes at Town Meeting from those not directly impacted by the rezoning petition.
- The developer's offer of free land for fields is contingent upon passage of his rezoning petition.

- **Article 45 has been attempted before**

- AVIS previously turned down a similar proposal by this developer.
- Article 45 is no different than this developers last failed attempt to rezone this residential land, except for the “land for votes” deal.

- **Article 45 is just the beginning**

- What is the master plan for the rest of the developer's 80+ acres?
- Article 45, 46 (Tewksbury water), 47 (Tewksbury sewer) and 59 (condos) are part of this package!!!
- **YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD COULD BE NEXT!**

VOTE “NO” ON 45!

Citizens for Responsible Zoning, 4 Ellsworth Road, Andover, MA 01810

Additional cash approved to finish safety center, schools

By Rebecca Piro

The safety center is costing residents more than they bargained for.

After some discussion Tuesday night, voters approved Article 10 and authorized \$830,000 more for the safety center project. The project was originally estimated to cost \$12.9 million and to finish construction by September. With this Town Meeting vote, the project is now costing the town \$14 million and officials don't expect completion until June 2003.

Joe Piantedosi, Plant and Facilities director, says he needs \$830,000 to pay for furnishings that were cut out of the budget when the project came in overbid.

The money will also pay for the center's security system, a monopole or radio-communication antenna, telephone systems, temporary storage to house equipment while the station is under construction, and extra salary money to pay the town's project manager and architect for the additional months the center is not completed.

Some residents spoke out against spending more than the original estimate. Last year, Town Meeting approved \$235,000 for additional costs. Piantedosi says this is the



John Baker:
Can we run a project on time, budget?

last time he'll ask voters for more for the safety center project, but Police Chief Brian Pattullo acknowledged that "there is that possibility" that the town will ask for more.

"I hate to be the town curmudgeon on this issue," said resident John Baker, "but can we run any town project without being over budget and under time? I suggest the article be rejected as a

sharp message."

"If you have to sit on milk cartons in their building, go ahead and do it. We've got to set priori-

ties," said resident Steve Zaimis. Resident Sheila Doherty disagreed, stating that this was not an appropriate way to send a "message" to town officials.

"I don't know who in this room would not want the 911 system to work," she said.

Article 11 - New schools cash

After some debate the town voted 465-138 to pass the School Building Committee's request for \$350,000 in contingency funds for construction costs to the new schools. Committee chairman Mark Johnson explained that the existing contingency funds were depleted because construction bids came in over budget and

additional ledge was also discovered on the site that had to be removed.

Radon was also found at the site and a mitigation system had to be devised. "This is to be used only if needed," said Johnson.

"I'm amused by that statement," said resident Don Robb, who noted the redundancy of saying that the contingency funds would only be used if needed. "Let's wait on this. Then if there's an emergency, we have the possibility of a Fall Town Meeting," said Robb.

Johnson argued against this, saying that fall Town Meeting could be too late for some decisions.

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Override vote garners Town Meeting support; election next

TOWN MEETING

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failed at Town Meeting.

Passing the Proposition 2 override at the ballot box may prove difficult, as many voters showed their skepticism Monday night regarding next year's budget and spending plans during debate of Article 4, the town's and schools' operating budget. It took more than an hour of discussion to reach that vote of approval, as residents – with concerns of the economy, recession and higher taxes weighing on their minds – stood up to question several line items of the budget. One resident proposed an amendment to the plant and facilities budget, which would have subtracted money targeted at reconstructing sidewalks and buying computers for schools. That amendment was voted down, but it wasn't long before other residents stood up to question special-education spending, health insurance for town employees, interest on bonds and the likelihood of another override next year, which one selectman assures will be needed. Every message urged care in spending.

Resident Don Robb, a former member of the School Committee and Finance Committee, voted against the override. "I'm not going to support overrides until I have clearer evidence that there is better budget planning," he said. Until Monday night, the schools had for years underfunded special education. The administration's estimate of what it would take to open the two new schools has



Dick Collins (at microphone) and Ruby Easton (next in line), both former High School employees, spoke in favor of a Proposition 2½ override.

jumped from \$900,000 to \$2.2 million. "That to me is irresponsible budget preparation," he said. "If there is room for that kind of error in there, I'm not comfortable voting for an override."

Robb said the School Committee and administration did not spend enough time considering other alternatives to an override, such as reducing the number of guidance counselors and assistant principals to free up cash in the budget. "You can have in a school budget almost anything you want," he said. "The difficulty comes when you insist on having everything you want."

Buzz Stapczynski, town manager, stated that he level-funded just about every department in town with the goal of slowing growth in mind. He has also level-funded the money he expects Andover to receive from the state.

"The big unknown was what Beacon Hill was going to allocate to us. That continues to be unknown," he said.

The town will delay about \$600,000 worth of capital improvement projects that Town Meeting approved Monday night until it is sure that the state will come through with the expected funds, said Selectman Brian

Major. If Andover ends up with less than expected, it will dip into that \$600,000 – with a Special Town Meeting vote to put those projects on hold – to make up the difference.

Major represents the minority of selectmen that did not recommend approval of the override, Article 5. He and Selectman Ted Teichert voted against the motion.

"Our economy is in a recession now. Many of our friends and neighbors have lost their jobs... (or) have taken pay cuts. This doesn't even touch all those folks, especially senior citizens, who are on fixed incomes," Major said.

Next year will be more difficult to balance the budget than this year was. Major added. "Next year, will we need an override? Unequivocally, yes. We will be \$2.5 million in the red." If this year's override attempt passes the ballot vote, next year's situation will be \$100,000 worse, due to the pay raises new teachers hired this year will be expecting, he said.

At least one senior citizen spoke up in favor of the override.

"I, too, represent the retired community," said Ruby Easton of Tobey Lane, a former school guidance counselor and member of Andover CARES. The town supported her children when they were in school years ago, she said. "We would want to do no less for this generation of kids."

But not supporting the override doesn't mean the schools' performance will deteriorate, argued Christopher Smith, the new member of the School Committee.

"The schools will continue to operate. They will continue to be excellent," said Smith. "Yes, there will be some staff reductions, but overall, there will be a net of staffing increases without an override. It is not necessary for an override to pass."

Other school officials and the majority of residents at Town Meeting disagreed. Without the override, education won't be the only thing to slip, warned David Frens of York Street. He argued that property values will fall if school performance and SAT and MCAS scores slide. "You'll see much more than an \$81 difference in your bottom line," he said.

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Monday night		
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3	Salaries of elected officials – APPROVED	13A
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6	Budget transfers – APPROVED	13D
7	Supplemental budget items – APPROVED	13E
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New schools-additional funding – **APPROVED**
 West Elementary asbestos removal – **APPROVED**
 Grant program authorization – **APPROVED**
 Road contracts – **APPROVED**
 Town report – **APPROVED**
 Property tax exemption – **APPROVED**
 Contract in excess of three years – **AMENDED**
 Accepting easements – **APPROVED**
 Granting easements – **APPROVED**
 Rescinding bond authorizations – **WITHDRAWN**
 Road/sidewalk easements – **APPROVED**
 Unpaid bills – **APPROVED**
 Elder/disabled transportation – **APPROVED**
 Fireworks – **APPROVED**
 Accumulated employee benefit account – **APPROVED**
 Revolving accounts – **APPROVED**
 Holiday lighting – **APPROVED**
 Community Preservation Act – **DEFEATED**
 CPA bylaw – **WITHDRAWN**
 Conservation fund – **APPROVED**
 Accept Woodbridge/Jenkins cemetery – **APPROVED**
 Transfer parcel of land, Heather Drive – **DEFEATED**

Override aftermath

■ WHAT NOW?

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himself as a member of the School Committee. The committee will not send home any more override information in students' backpacks either. That doesn't mean that Support Our Students can't send home information through students. Principals decide what they will or will not allow to be sent home with students. If an anti-override group formed and had a memo for Andover parents, what would happen? "I would assume we'd say 'fine.' I don't see how we could say 'no,'" said Gustus.

He added that an anti-override group could probably better spend its money by reaching out to a different audience.

Everyone with an interest in the override vote recognizes that the ballot-box election will be tougher than Town Meeting.

Resident Don Robb expected the override to pass at Town Meeting, but says the picture isn't so clear when it comes to the ballot vote.

"It's a different ethic that happens at the ballot. The last override failed at the ballot," he says. "It's an open ballgame at this point."

Some residents might have voted in favor of the override at Town Meeting only because they were afraid to express their true feelings in public, he speculates. "There is an element of that at Town Meeting," says Robb, who voted against the override. "You get disapproving looks."

School Committee chairwoman Tina Girdwood said she was "very pleased" that the override passed. She was also pleased at the voter turnout on a rainy night. "I look around, I see all ages," she said.

Revolutionary War-era cemetery now town's

The town voted to take ownership of the Woodbridge and Jenkins family cemetery located off of Douglas Lane after John C. Doherty, director of Veterans Services, presented Article 24. The site is of local and national historical significance.

The Woodbridge and Jenkins families were early settlers of Andover. The oldest graves date back to the 1752 and two Revolutionary War vets are buried there. The cemetery is close to the Jenkins' farmhouse, which was a station on the Underground Rail-

road and was frequently visited by Frederick Douglas and Harriet Beecher Stowe.

– Ben Hellman



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Veterans agent John Doherty at the Woodbridge and Jenkins cemetery.

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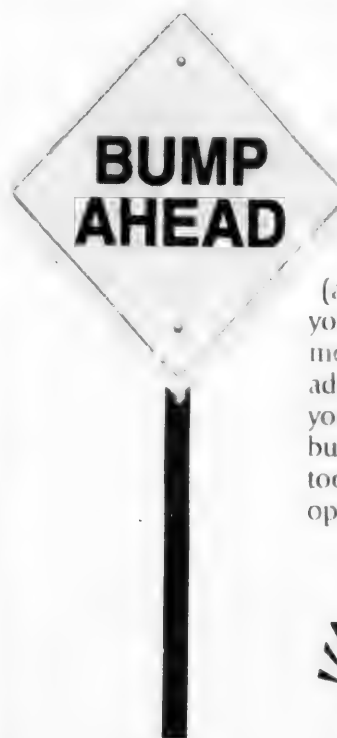
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TOWN MEETING ARTICLES TO BE DEBATED NEXT WEEK

NEXT WEEK

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submitted Articles 38 and 39 to create a historic overlay district, in which the Zoning Board of Appeals could more easily grant special permits to people who want to move historic homes to small lots.

He withdrew the articles Tuesday night, saying he wanted to work with the Planning Department to develop a district the town might support.

Planning Director Steve Colyer, who did not support the articles, has suggested that a dimensional special permit, which would apply townwide, not just to a single zone, would be better.

"If waiting a couple of months will make it the best it can be, we're happy to do that," says Mark Johnson, Ristuccia's attorney. Ristuccia will not be able to hook up the Abbot house to water or electricity unless Town Meeting approves a zoning change of some sort, at some point.

—Rebecca Piro



Water worries will receive plenty of attention.

40-42: Water expansion, ban

Jack Petkus, Public Works director, asks for a water-use restriction bylaw in Article 40. He says the bylaw would help conserve water by giving selectmen the power to declare a water ban in an emergency situation. Selectmen could temporarily prohibit certain outdoor water uses such as fill-

ing swimming pools or using automatic lawn-sprinkler systems. Petkus' proposal states that a resident who violates the bylaw during a water ban would first receive a warning, and then a fine for each subsequent violation. Selectmen have recommended approval. Petkus says the state will apply a more severe water ban in an emergency situation if Andover doesn't have its own protocol.

Passage of Article 41 would help residents protect their water supply, says Petkus. The bylaw proposed by this article would require residents who own a sprinkler system to install a \$6 backflow preventer, which prevents lawn chemicals from getting sucked into irrigation systems if there is a sudden change in water pressure. The bylaw would also require that residents purchase and install a \$100 rain sensor, which alerts an automatic sprinkler when it's raining and tells the sprinkler not to turn on.

Residents who own automatic irrigation systems would have to register with the town, to help town employees keep track of who is in compliance. As with Article 40, residents who violate the bylaw would be charged a fine. Selectmen do not recommend approval of this article, as they would rather see residents comply voluntarily.

Article 42 asks Town Meeting for \$975,000 to design improvements and expansions to the town water-treatment plant. Due to new, stricter water-quality regulations and the amount of water Andover sells to other communities, the plant's filters must be updated, says Petkus. The plant is also overcrowded and needs expanded office space. Petkus hopes to return to Town Meeting in 2003 and 2004 to ask for actual construction money in the total amount of \$12 million. Selectmen recommend approval of this article.

—RP

43: Attacking rust in water

Department of Public Works Director Jack Petkus is requesting \$500,000 to replace old, unlined cast-iron water mains.

Rust and mineral deposits have

built up inside the old mains, restricting water flow to fire hydrants and adding rust to the water when the hydrants are used. The rust is not a health hazard, says Petkus, but affects the water's taste and stains clothing.

The request will fund an ongoing program to maintain and improve Andover's water distribution system. Selectmen and the Finance Committee recommends this article.

—BH



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

The town hopes to prevent rusty water.

45-47: Zoning for Fields

If voters approve Article 45, which proposes rezoning 22 acres near Haggetts Pond from residential to industrial, article proponent, land owner and developer Yvon Cormier says he will donate 15 acres of adjacent land to the Andover Soccer Association and Little League. The associations promise to turn this land into three new playing fields.

Articles 46 and 47, also submitted by Cormier, ask voters to authorize officials to negotiate agreements with Tewksbury and Lowell for water and sewer services to the area. Supporters of the articles say it's a win-win deal for the town and Cormier. Playing fields are desperately needed, they say.

They say the office buildings that Cormier has proposed building on that site will bring in \$500,000 in tax revenue.

Opposers of the articles say the potential net tax revenue is closer to \$150,000, and the money isn't worth the permanent changes to Andover's character that the rezoning will make. Some residents also question the ethics behind the pact between Cormier and the sports groups. Cormier has also indicated that he plans to build housing on the remaining adjacent acres of the parcel.

Both sides of the debate agree that these warrant articles are only the first step in a long process before fields or structures are built. Plans for both projects will have to go before the Planning and Zoning boards for approval. Residents on both sides of the issue will have an opportunity at that point to argue their cases, say officials. Approving Articles 45, 46 and 47 is not a guarantee that any development will happen, they add.

48: Main Street upgrades

Members of the Main Street Committee say they need \$269,500 to keep the character of downtown alive during the Main Street improvement project, slated to begin next year.

The state is planning to spend \$2.5 million to improve Andover's traffic flow and pedestrian safety from Stevens Street to Punchard Street, by reconfiguring sidewalks and aligning traffic lights. Town Meeting decided to chip in \$304,000 in 1999 for aesthetic details including bike racks, benches, historic lighting and trash cans. Now, Main Street Committee members say that won't be enough to get the job done right and preserve the historic New England charm of downtown Andover. If Town Meeting approves the extra funds, the committee will more lamp posts, pave the crosswalks with brick-like pavers, create plantings on the islands, and pay to install irrigation systems for the trees and plantings. Town Meeting must approve the money now, members say, because MassHighway plans to get the project underway in the summer of 2003, says project designer David Giangrande. Selectmen recommend approval of this article, but the Finance Committee recommends disapproval.

49: Moving on parking

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski is requesting \$30,000 from the off-street parking reserve fund to repair and improve the parking lots in Olde Andover Village and Memorial Hall Library.

Selectmen and the Finance Committee recommend approval of the article. "It goes hand in hand with the Main Street development project. We collect money from parking to improve parking," said Selectman Brian Major. He explained that the money from the fund comes from parking meters.

—BH

50: Lovejoy/Dascomb

Town officials are asking residents for \$122,000 to install traffic lights, sidewalks and curbing at the intersection of Lovejoy and Dascomb roads. Article 50 represents the second appeal for money for this project. Town Meeting granted \$140,000 in 2000, but officials say inflation and adjustments to the project have forced them to ask for more. The project is supposed to get underway this year.

Ballardvale improvements

Members of the Ballardvale/Lowell Junction Traffic Task Force are asking the town for \$26,000, by means of Article 51, to make traffic and pedestrian improvements to the Vale.

If approved, members say that residents who won a \$100,000 settlement from a lawsuit against Wyeth BioPharma, formerly Genetics Institute, will kick in an additional \$54,000 to fund improvements. The settlement agreement states that the settlement money must be used to improve traffic conditions in Ballardvale.

If Article 51 is approved, a total of \$80,000 will be available for improvements to Ballardvale, such as pedestrian crosswalks and sidewalks and intersection improvements, members say.

Steve Colyer, the town's Planning Director, does not support the article, stating that residents who have private

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Education

Encouraging news on state ed aid

By Neil Fater

Residents concerned about a shortfall in state aid might be encouraged by the words of state Senate President Tom Birmingham. While Andover's state legislators have told the town to prepare for a 10-percent reduction in state aid, Birmingham told the *Townsmen* last week "we hope to avert that." He indicated to public-safety officials the shortfall now appeared closer to 4 percent.

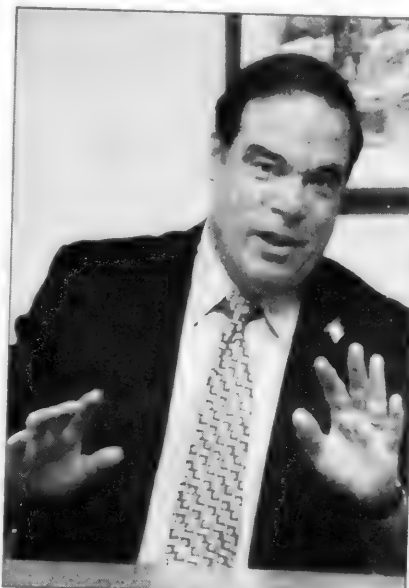
Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski had been unwilling to cut those dollars from the budget, saying he would ride out the election year by level-funding state aid.

"Andover has been the beneficiary of the Education Reform Act and we don't want to turn around and go in the opposite direction," says Birmingham. "But I think Sen. Tucker has been absolutely right to put everyone on notice that this has been a very challenging year. We could be facing a deficit of as much as \$2 billion. If that

is the case, then there is no program that is the beneficiary of of state dollars that can be guaranteed to be held harmless. But we hope to do better in local aid than that."

While many other towns are joining Andover in seeking overrides for education this year, Birmingham said, "It's not a sign of anything unhealthy that there are overrides and (their approval) is for the local people to determine." But he does believe the state can play a greater role in funding education. Birmingham, the architect of Education Reform, says that prior to Sept. 11, he was working on "Education Reform II," but after Sept. 11, the proposal no longer seemed viable at this time.

He also wants the state offer a type of special-education insurance, so that communities paying into the plan could "collect" to cover unanticipated increases. "We're never going to have the day in education where we say, 'OK, give me the next issue,'" he says.



Senate President Tom Birmingham's staff says that since '92 the amount of state educational aid Andover has received has grown \$5 million, from \$1.18 million.

Article 12 approved

West El asbestos to be removed

By Ben Hellman

Town Meeting voters approved \$1.8 million to remove asbestos from West Elementary School and to rebuild the ceilings in the building.

Plant and Facilities Director Joe Piantedosi explained that during a routine inspection in the summer of 2001, it was discovered that ceiling tiles in 60 percent of the areas of the school contained 2 to 3 percent asbestos fibers. When the town takes care of this problem, workers will also replace old lighting, he says.

"It's cost effective to remove the ceiling grid - basically rebuild the ceiling," said Piantedosi. The plan will take three years.

"We're being very conservative this summer with all the other construction projects going on in the town. If something went wrong and (West Elementary) didn't open on time - it's not the year we want to take these kinds of risks," he said.

West Elementary was built in the '40s and added to during the 1960s. The ceiling has never been replaced.

WHAT'S UP

Students continue volunteering, even when it's not required

What's Up is written by Andover kids about issues and events concerning Andover kids.

By Kyra Auffermann
Andover High School

In his 2001 inaugural address, President Bush declared, "Any definition of a successful life in America must include service to others." By this definition, most Andover High students already have achieved success - and mostly without fame or fortune.

Tomorrow, Friday, they'll have a change to do more, as part of the third National Youth Service Day, which is celebrated April 26 to 28.

Though the day is meant to encourage more volunteerism, however, many Andover High students have already shown they don't need a special day - or a school requirement - to make them help others.

Last year, a 20-hour community service requirement was dropped from the curriculum when students protested on the grounds that volunteering, by definition, shouldn't be mandatory.

One junior protested, "If I want to help someone, I'll help someone. But it just doesn't mean anything if I just do it because I have to." It seems as if Andover teenagers are motivated to help their community even when it isn't necessary for graduation. In an unofficial, unscientific and very

random poll of 50 AHS students, 34 had performed volunteer work in the past year and 16 had not. These numbers, if taken to be a proportionate segment of the high school's student body, are congruent with national statistics showing that 70 percent of American teenagers have, at some point, participated in philanthropic activities. The Andover Historical Society, various church groups, Habitat for Humanity, MSCPA, educational organizations and soup kitchens have all benefited from teenagers' help. Reasons for volunteering vary from enjoying the experience to wanting to have something community-oriented to put on college applications.

Whatever the motivation, Andover High provides a plethora of volunteer opportunities. During one recent Saturday, students met to clean up the high school between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. - with free doughnuts and coffee offered as extra motivation. The sophomore 20th Century Studies classes are offering chances to help residential artist Nari Ward work on a project exploring ethnic stereotypes, giving Andover kids the opportunity to work with teenagers from other schools while employing any artistic ability. There is also a schoolwide community-service program, along with smaller clubs, such as Friends Offering Opportunities to Donate (FOOD).

Lauren Rusckowski, a senior who is on the board of directors for the community service program, says members organize one-time events along with other programs, such as PALS, where teenagers from various schools in the area tutor middle-schoolers in Lawrence. "I like to share my talents with other people," she says. "My whole family is really active in community service, so I've always been involved."

The community-service program at Andover High is run by students, according to faculty advisor Ken Pellerin. They decide what they're interested in at the beginning of each year and distribute a flyer announcing the available options. There are opportunities to work with the elderly, help the homeless and operate teen-suicide hotlines, among others. Occasionally there are planned events, such as last Saturday's trip to a Boston food bank with other nearby high schools.

FOOD, another established program at the high school, is a community-based organization, taking a proactive approach to helping disenfranchised or homeless people. It runs clothing drives in the winter and helps a meal program in Harvard Square that distributes food to those who are destitute.

"We try to move away from charity and into relationship build-

ing," says Brian Shea, the faculty adviser. "(We want) not just (to) hand out the sandwiches, but to talk with the people a little, listen to what they have to say. Validate them as human beings."

"It's not about the money that you give, people appreciate the time more," explains Shea. "(Homeless) people start to wonder if they even exist. They're sitting on the street and people walk by them, look away, pretend they aren't there, and we try to break that cycle."

Extending the effort to volunteer has beneficial repercussions beyond the obvious personal satisfaction and a chance to meet people from different backgrounds, say some students. "I started because I had to," says Michelle Lightbown, a sophomore, "but I kept doing it because it was fun."

Living in a place as affluent as Andover, it's easy to lose sight of priorities. It's common for people to have trouble appreciating their lifestyle; popular weekend activities are sometimes limited to finding the perfect pair of capri pants at the Gap. Seeing firsthand the acute struggle endured by others outside one's typical sphere of interaction, or just donating time to a cause one supports, grants invaluable perspective. "When I go to Kid's Club and see (a student) working with the kids, that's rewarding," says Pellerin.

Ali Popper, a sophomore, volunteered more than 70 hours last summer, at a nursing home where her mother works. "I really enjoy helping others," she says. "It's good to know that there are others who can benefit from the help and care I provide."

UCLA and the Higher Educational Research Institute determined that teenagers who partake in activities that benefit charitable organizations or other individuals are more likely to achieve good grades, vote, and continue to be community-oriented as they get older. Those who volunteer just one hour per week are 50-percent less likely to abuse drugs, alcohol or engage in other destructive behavior, according to the 1999 UCLA/HERI Annual Freshman Survey.

The value of the American youths' volunteer work done back in 1999 is estimated to be worth more than \$171 million.

For more information on National Youth Service Day, go to <www.SERVE.net.org>. To get details on community-service opportunities within the high school, go by the community-service office (on the second floor, right after the stairs from the main lobby). For more about FOOD, which holds biweekly meetings on Tuesdays in room 370, talk to teacher Brian Shea or student contact Diane Newell.

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Elementary schools

Monday: Chocolate chip pancakes with ham mozzarella sticks, cheeseburger with fries, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Baked macaroni and cheese, pizza ring with marinara sauce, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggies and milk.

Wednesday: Two tacos with lettuce, pizza ring with marinara sauce, baked chicken nuggets, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti and meat sauce, french toast with sausage, cheeseburger with chips, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Tuna salad on roll with chips, pizza stick with soft pretzel, hot dog on a roll, fruit, veggie and milk.

Doherty Middle School

Monday: American chop suey, chicken McSchool, nachos with cheese sauce, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Two taco Tuesday, baked chicken nuggets, two hot dogs with chips, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Fried chicken, baked chicken nuggets, mozzarella sticks with marinara sauce, fruit, veggie and milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti and meatballs, chicken McSchool with fries, pizza stick with two soft pretzels, fruit, veggie and milk.

Friday: Beef & cheese sub, two hot dogs on a roll, nachos with cheese sauce, fruit, veggie and milk.

Secondary schools

Monday: Monte cristo sandwich with fries, stuffed crust pizza, spaghetti and meatballs, fruit, veggie and milk.

Tuesday: Two pork chops with potato, bakery pizza, spaghetti ilio olio, fruit, veggie and milk.

Wednesday: Two tacos with lettuce and tomato stuffed crust pizza, fruit, veggie and milk, rotini with meat sauce.

Thursday: Shepherd's pie, bakery pizza, American chop suey, fruit veggie and milk.

Friday: Chicken McSchool, stuffed crust pizza, spaghetti and meatballs, fruit, veggie and milk.

New Healthy Choice menu

Salads: chef's, chicken, caesar, pasta with roll, fruit and milk.

Soup and 1/2 sandwich: on bulkie with potato salad, fruit, raisins, brownie and milk; imported ham, deli turkey, chicken salad, tuna salad, seafood salad.

Calzones with fries, fruit and milk, cold cut, chicken parm, ham and cheese, cheeseburger.

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Doherty students on 2nd term honor roll

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Lindsay Popper, Jessica Prencipe, Marie Provencher, Laura Radlinski, Jessica Ragnio, Christine Richardson, Joanna Salini, Richard Sawyer, Jeremy Selwyn, Thomas Tassinari, Jared Taylor, Kate Therkelsen, Jaclyn Todisco, Joseph Tonelli, Amanda Trerotola, Susanna Valleau, Julian Vastl, Julie Wadland, Jennifer Wang, Jason Westgate, Gregory Wilbur, Jessica Yu, Elizabeth Zigmont, Calder Zwerling.

HONORS

Devin Afshin, Kristen Alpert, Michael Anciello, Ashley Baldwin, Leslie Barber, Ryan Beechinor, Matthew Biles, Steven Brickman, Kevin Burke, Patrick Calderhead, Debbie Cheng, Matthew Colombo, Evan Cooke, Kristin Costagliola, Alana Cuneo, Adam Cuomo, Jayme Day, Gregory Finger, Christopher Forsythe, Mary Fowler, Hannah French, Mason Fried, Xavier Gath, Anna Gikow, Eric Hinds, Molly Hudkins, Marie Huntley, Julian Jacobson, Mary Jurek, Devin Kelly, Duncan Lennon, Michael Lippi II, Julia Littlefield, Gretchen Magner, Amy Marlow, Lauren Marsh, Michael McKenzie, Joseph Miara, Caitlin Milley, Michael Monaco, Bryan O'Connor, Christopher Palmieri, Alexander Perry, Brittany Pierce, Seth Putnam, Mark Rauseo, Sean Riley, Caitlin Rivet, Elizabeth Roda, Michael Sannella, Daniel Sarno,

Anastasia Scott, Christopher Serro, Jai Sim, Timothy Smith, Lorna Song, Alisa Torrisi, Tarek Zatet.

Grade 7

HIGH HONORS

Rebecca Agostino, Kristen Aleksa, Erik Anson, Heather Arvidson, Tyler Bedford, Shulamit Bel, Maxwell Besen, Kristina Black, Emily Bondaruk, Jacquelyn Booth, Andrea Boshar, Morgan Broccoli, Michael Burbank, Hilda Buss, Christina Cahill, Kimberly Carey, Amanda Carrington, Brennan Casey, Connie Cheng, Ashley Cohen, Adrian Culver, Colleen Cummings, Caroline Cusick, Jason Dashtpeyma, Sean Dempsey, Casey Deschene, Laurel Dezieck, Bonnie Domigan, Fiona Dooley, Allison Dosey, Meryl Draper, Stephanie Eng, Kelsey Erikson, Kristina Fuerst, Nathaniel Gentile, Samuel Gould, Briana Gross, Jonah Guerin, Amelia Hacker, Douglas Hawkins, Katherine Hoople, Colin Hopkins, Jacqueline Hung, Gregory James, Taylor James, Emma Kieckhafer, James Krendel-Clark, Jared Kuipers, Thomas Ladeau, Kara Lanio, Merav Levkowitz, Colette Lilly, Dorothy Liu, Alan Lu, Toby Maltz, Jeffrey Martin, Nicole Martin, Erin McAuliffe, Elizabeth McDonough, Julia Mell, Jennifer Meltz, Grace Miceli, Kimberly Miller, Nicholas Milley, Samantha Monson, Gregory Moore,

Katherine Morris, Joseph Mullin, Caroline O'Malley, Samantha Ory, David Papas, Justin Papez, Maria Parfenova, William Rauseo, Sarah Rodger, Rachael Rosenberg, Allison Ryans, Jeffrey Salvesen, Rohit Sangal, Karen Schoenherr, Kevin Schwing, Martin Serna, Claire Shapiro, Miles Silverman, Brett Silverstein, Rachael Singleton, Ryan Smith, Diana Spang, Abhishek Sripad, Zachary Starkweather, Sarah Stras, Cara Suglia, Madelyn Sundberg, Kaileigh Sweeney, McKenzie Trainor, Leslie Walker, Laura Wang, Laura Wareham, Marina Warsaw-Fan, Walker Washburn, Brittany Weeks, Daniel Yanofsky, Nicole Zaffini, Jiyuan Zhu

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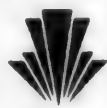
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Grade 6

HIGH HONORS

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Democratic Town Committee Scholarship set

The Andover Democratic Town Committee is currently accepting applications for its Ann Guzowski Memorial Scholarship. The \$1,000 scholarship is awarded based on financial need and a strong commitment to community service. The scholarship is open to any Andover resident.

Applications are available at the Andover High School guidance department or by calling the scholarship chair, Ellen Fleming, at 978-749-7005.

The application deadline is Friday, May 3.

Honor roll correction

In the April 11 issue, Pike School students named to the honor roll for the winter 2002 term were listed on page 25.

Upper School students who achieved high honors, those who had an "A" average in their coursework during the term, were listed first. The students listed in the second group should have run under the heading of "honors," not "high honors." The *Townsmen* regrets the error.

Townspeople

TOWN TALK



Mr. Moderator

We Are Family

Prior to asking residents to give a hand to public-safety workers at Town Meeting, Sheila Doherty asked for the floor from a familiar face, Moderator Jim Doherty.

Sheila Doherty asked the moderator for a "point of personal privilege," which was granted.

"This is how we get his attention at dinner," she said.

— Neil Fater

Titleist search

Proponents of the youth center didn't find any hazardous waste at the proposed west Andover site. What they did find were golf balls.

"We were cracking up," laughs Bill Fahey, director of Youth Services, even more upbeat than usual since hearing that the site was pronounced clean. "That was the archaeological find for the day. I think I found a dozen. And all the guys out there digging kept finding them."

Even the occasionally gruff Bob McQuade, member of the private Andover Youth Foundation, had to chuckle over the unusual find. "People practice golf around there," he says. "Yeah, (Fahey) got a couple."

No one seems to know where the balls came from, but Fahey ventured a guess. "Rumor has it, Buzz (Stapczynski, town manager) likes to hit them off," he says.

But Stapczynski — who says the town once put up signs prohibiting people from hitting balls at the Deyersmond Fields, because they were digging up the turf — denies it. "I don't know who it was," he says. "I'm not going to point any fingers."

— Rebecca Piro

In the seat of power

When state Senate President and gubernatorial hopeful Tom Birmingham came to town last week, Sen. Sue Tucker made a point of noting that Birmingham is not Tom Finneran. "Make no mistake. (The senate) is not the House of Representatives. We actually have a say," she said. Then later she proved that senators do have a say — and apparently more fun.

Last June 9, Birmingham gave up smoking and started bike riding. He decided to bike across the state, traveling 260 miles in six days.

"It tended to humanize me. I think I'm often seen as Senate president, up there in a suit with a gavel," he says.

"That Spandex did humanize you," cracked Tucker. She got a laugh from Birmingham, who cracked, "warts and all."

— Neil Fater



Sue Tucker



Tom Birmingham

Walking actively — for a cause

By Ben Hellman

SEVENTY-FOUR YEAR OLD Rosemary Holland likes to walk. She'll spend the next two Sundays doing just that.

She will walk seven miles for the March of Dimes in Andover this Sunday, but that's just a warm-up. Holland will take on Project Bread's 20-mile Walk for Hunger for the 13th time on Sunday, May 5. Asked how she prepares for the events, she said, "I walk around a bit. I'm very active that way."

The retired nurse used to walk from her home on Gould Road to Merrimack College, where she worked for 37 years. Holland began participating in the Walk for Hunger with a student group from Merrimack College.

Four years ago Holland lost track of her fellow walkers during the walk and believed she fell behind. She couldn't find the bus when she finished the walk and thought she had been left behind by the group.

After borrowing change from a police officer to call for a ride, she saw some of her group crossing the finish line — Holland had finished the walk before any other walker from the college.

She has raised \$700 in pledges so far this year and has raised at least \$1,000 on her last two walks.

"I walk here and there and ask everybody," she said.

Holland moved to her current home on Gould Street with her husband, retiree William Holland in 1962.

They have five children, including daughter Linda Meltzer, who is a teacher at Sanborn Elementary.

Holland participates in the March of Dimes and Merrimack College's Diabetes Walk, and is a volunteer for the WGBH/Channel 2's PBS telethon.

Sponsor forms for the Walk for Hunger can be downloaded, donations made and more information learned about Project Bread at its Web site, <www.projectbread.org>.

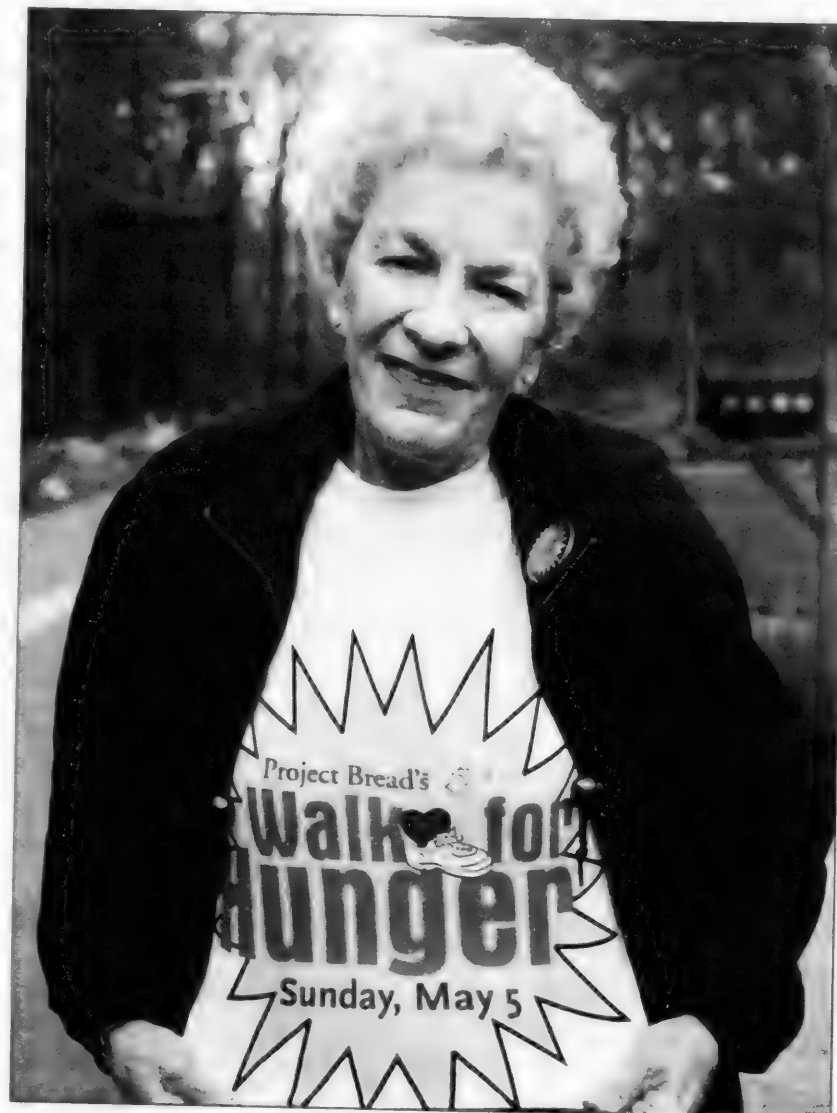


PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Right in the bread basket — Rosemary Holland, a speedy veteran of Project Bread's 20-mile benefit Walk for Hunger through Boston, is ready for the May 5 event.

Bus from Andover

The Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover is sending a bus group to the Walk for Hunger.

"This is the third year we've had a bus. It's made it easier for people to participate," said Social Justice Community Chairwoman Judy Trerotola.

She anticipates extra space on the bus and extends an invitation for anyone interested in coming along to the Walk for Hunger. The bus will leave from the church at 6 Locke St. in Andover at 7 a.m. on Sunday, May 5. Trerotola requests that those interested send her an e-mail with their intention to go, at <goldotola@attbi.com>.

MFA's Art in Bloom shows its local roots



Maureen Melnert (left) and Susan DeLarm-Sandman (right), members of the Spade and Trowel Garden Club of Andover, are planning a floral design for this year's Art in Bloom at the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. This renowned springtime event featuring flower arranging as an art form begins with a gala preview party Saturday, April 27, and continues through Tuesday, April 30. A variety of artwork from across the museum's collection will be interpreted in flowers and plant materials by more than 70 New England garden clubs. This year's three-day festival also includes the work of 26 professional floral designers in the MFA's public spaces, lectures and demonstrations by landscapers and florists, elegant luncheons and afternoon teas, and the "Give the Arts a Chance" drawing. For more information and reservations, go online to <www.mfa.org>, or call 617-369-3395.

FIRST BIRTHDAYS



**Aidan Eric
Fague**

Aidan Eric Fague celebrated his first birthday April 17. He is the son of Daniel and Jacqueline Fague of Candlewood Drive. His grandparents are George and Janet Fague, Craig Brozey and Pat and Mike Fitzgerald, all of California. Aidan loves to knock down block towers, go for walks, swing and play with his sister, Lindsay, and brothers, Jeremy and Justin.



**Dora Rebeca
Russem**

Dora Rebeca Russem was born in Mixco, Guatemala on April 26, 2001. She lives in South Portland, Maine with her mother, Julie Russem, and her 11-year-old sister, Nina. Dora's grandparents, Marge and Jerry Russem of Andover, are thrilled to have another granddaughter. Dora is active, happy and funny and loves playing with her toys, books and especially her adoring big sister.



**Tessa Judith
Berry**

Tessa Judith Berry turns 1 today, April 25. Her parents are Wayne and Karen Berry of Beech Circle. The said, "Tessa is such an easy-going, sweet baby girl, this whole year has been pure joy. She melts our hearts with her gorgeous, pretty smile. She loves her 'lolly dolly,' riding the swing, and banging on pots and pans!" Most of all, Tessa adores her big brother, Jackson, 3, who makes her laugh so easily, and adores her right back.



**Allison Alexis
Anusauskas**

Allison Alexis Anusauskas turned 1 on April 1. She is the daughter of George and Catherine (Dehm) Anusauskas of Grafton. She is the grandchild of George and Barbara Anusauskas of Worcester and Roy and Helen Dehm of Andover. Allison is a big hit with all of her aunts and uncles, as well as her big sister Elizabeth, who turned 3 on April 4. Allison is thrilled with her latest skill, walking and imitating her sister at play.



**Jack Edward
Starkweather**

Jack Edward Starkweather will celebrate his first birthday on April 30. He is the son of Rick and Lisa Starkweather of Andover. His grandparents are Ed and Maureen Spinelli of Salem, N.H. and Dave and Dot Starkweather of Biddeford, Maine. Jack is a very happy baby who is always smiling. He enjoys playing with his fire trucks and race cars but most of all he loves playing with his big sisters, Morgan, 5½, and Casey, 2½.



**Tyler Francis
Murphy**

Tyler Francis Murphy turned 1 on April 10. He is the son of Paul and Debby Murphy of Salem Street. His sister is Madison, 4. Grandparents are Ann Murphy of Andover, David and Diane Murphy of Andover, and Arthur and Emmy Burdett of Palm Beach, Fla. Great-grandparents are Mary Murphy of Andover and Raymond Lavin of Seabrook, N.H., formerly of Andover.



**Courtney Kathleen
Morgan**

Courtney Kathleen Morgan will celebrate her first birthday on April 26. She is the daughter of Brad and Lisa (D'Errico) Morgan of Chelmsford. Grandparents are Richard and Kathleen Cibos of High Plain Road, John and Diane Morgan of Chelmsford and Paul D'Errico of Londonderry, N.H. Courtney loves baths, swinging outside, and playing with her big sister, Caroline, 2½.



**Katherine Margaret
Payne**

Katherine Margaret Payne turned 1 on April 21. She is the daughter of Bradley Payne and Maureen O'Brien of Wildwood Road. Grandparents are Paul and Margaret Payne of Cincinnati, Ohio and Thomas and Geraldine O'Brien of Andover. Katherine celebrated her first birthday with all of her grandparents and other local family members.



**Kaitlin Mary
Pelletier**

Kaitlin Mary Pelletier will celebrate her first birthday April 27. She is the daughter of Kristen (Duffy) and Andrew of North Street. Grandparents are John and Mary Duffy of Andover and Jude and Jim Pelletier of Pawtucket, R.I. Kaitlin has a big brother, Matthew, 3. She loves playing with cousins Sarah, Jon, Emily, Ari, Daryl and Jack.



**Jack William
Legere**

Jack William Legere will celebrate his first birthday on April 26. He is the son of Tim and Amy Legere of Andover. His grandparents are Bill and Jan Raabe of Plymouth and Tom and Zita Legere of Winchester. Jack likes to dance, play with blocks and listen to bedtime stories.



**Owen Lionel
Boulanger**

Owen Lionel Boulanger celebrated his first birthday on April 5. He is the son of Philip and Janine (Murphy) Boulanger of Andover. His grandparents are Roger and Marcelle Boulanger of Andover, Robert and Lorraine Towne of N.H. and Thomas Murphy of Braintree. Owen loves being outdoors and playing with his dog, Jaffrey.



**Lucie Rose
Novelline**

Lucie Rose Novelline will celebrate her first birthday on April 28. She is the daughter of Deborah and Thomas Novelline of Dorchester. Grandparents are Bill and Eileen Novelline of Andover and Peg Soltesz of Cohasset. Great-grandmother is Mary Novelline of Burlington.

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FIRST BIRTHDAYS



Isabella Hope Borek

Mia Lily Borek

Isabella Hope Borek (standing) and Mia Lily Borek (sitting) turned 1 recently. They celebrated their first birthday with close family and friends. They are the daughters of Robert and Tina Borek of Andover. Grandparents are Domenic and Maria DiRico and Robert and Judith Borek, all from North Reading. Isabella loves to play peek-a-boo, going for walks, reading books and walking with her push car. She also enjoys dancing and watching Elmo and climbing in the bath with her sister. Mia loves to be a mommy to her baby doll. She also enjoys cooking with her kitchen set, playing the piano, reading books and splashing in the bath with her sister.



Patrick J. Fragala

◀ Patrick J. Fragala celebrated his first birthday April 13. He is the son of Jim and Lyn Fragala of Alderbrook Road. Grandparents are Anthony Fragala of North Andover and Robert and Eileen Camello of Melrose.



◀ Stephen Andrew Shaw turned 1 on April 22. He is the son of Rob and Carol Shaw of Tewksbury Street. Grandparents are Bob and Marilyn Shaw of Everett and Vince and Joan Fantasia of Burlington. Stephen likes reading and playing with his cousins.



Baylah Rose Corbitt

◀ Baylah Rose Corbitt was born April 9, 2001. Her parents are Jeff and Sheila Corbitt of Charlotte Drive. Her grandparents are Joyce Corbitt of Methuen and Eleanor Sullivan-Gould of Lexington. Baylah enjoys shopping, and going for walks or jogs in her baby jogger. She especially loves chasing and playing with her big brother, Bryce, 3½.

FIRST BIRTHDAYS

~ 2002 KEY DATES ~

ISSUE DATE	PHOTO DEADLINE
May 30	May 24
June 27	June 21
July 25	July 19
Aug. 29	Aug. 23
Sept. 26	Sept. 20
Oct. 31	Oct. 25
Nov. 28	Nov. 22
Dec. 26	Dec. 20

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BABIES CELEBRATING THEIR FIRST BIRTHDAYS, affiliated with Andover, may have their pictures in the *Townsmen* free. They will normally appear in the issue dated the last Thursday of the month, in the month of baby's first birthday.

TOWN OF ANDOVER LEAF COMPOSTING NOTICE

The Town of Andover leaf compost site at Bald Hill on High Plain Road will be open for Andover residents ONLY. Wednesday, May 1, 2002 through Sunday, May 5, 2002 and again Wednesday, May 8, 2002 through Sunday, May 12, 2002. Residents may drive in to drop off leaves & grass clippings between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Residents must remove their leaves & grass clippings from whatever container they use to deliver them in. All contaminated loads will be rejected. The area is available for walk-ins at all times however, there are substantial fines for **ILLEGAL** dumping.

Directions to Bald Hill: Take Lowell St (Route 133) to Greenwood Road (the traffic light just east of the IRS). Take Greenwood Road (0.8 miles) north to High Plain Road, then take High Plain Road (1.0 miles) west to Bald Hill.

The Town of Andover will be conducting curbside leaf collection during the weeks of April 16-April 20, 2002 and May 6-May 10, 2002. Residents are to put their leaves out on their designated trash collection day. Any appropriate size containers may be used for leaves, but if using plastic bags they **MUST BE CLEAR PLASTIC**.



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SOCIAL NOTEBOOK



◀ Andover Garden Club hospitality cochair Angela Zinsmeister and vice president and program chair Jackie Katz participate in a raffle at the April membership meeting. In her role as program chair, Katz has organized all of the programs for the 2001-02 club year.

Shawsheen Village Woman's Club members were entertained by readings from the "Write Stuff" Senior Center creative writers. Below are Shirley Byron (left) and Hannah Heifetz. Not shown are Joseph Baggot, Frances Campbell, Mary Crawford, Rita Fragala, Barbara McGovern, Alfred Koch, Maureen Olesen, Robert Sanborn, Edith St. Jean, Joan Wilde, and Blair Woodman. The meeting was held April 8. ▼

Maximizing blooms: Andover Garden Club's annual meeting is May 7

The Andover Garden Club announced that its annual meeting will be held Tuesday, May 7 at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation, 6 Locke St. Following a business meeting, Ginny Ballou will present a slide lecture on combining plants in the garden to achieve the longest possible period of bloom.

The annual meeting, which will begin at 11:30 a.m., is open only to members.

The luncheon and program, beginning at approximately noon, are open to preregistered members and their guests.

Ballou is the owner and operator of Mrs. Blossom's flower company in Hingham. She specializes in lush garden arrangements and memorable wedding flowers. Ballou also teaches a yearly perennial gardening course, does horticultural consultations, and designs personal perennial gardens. She is a member of the N.E. Horticultural Resources Network, the Massachusetts Horticultural Society, and the Specialty Cut Flower Growers Association.

Information about joining the Andover Garden Club is available from AGC membership cochair Mary de Smet (978-975-0426, <mldesm@aol.com>) and Karen Schnorrenberg (978-474-8973, <karensberg@attbi.com>).



The club with the 'Write Stuff'

The Shawsheen Village Woman's Club met April 8 at South Church. The program was provided by the Andover Senior Center's creative writing group, Write Stuff. Each of 13 writers read an essay written from personal experience. Humor, poignancy, romance, history, adventure and history were all represented. Following the entertainment, a "pot-luck" luncheon was served. The next meeting will be Monday, May 6 at the Andover Inn. Officers for the upcoming club year will be presented at this annual luncheon. On Saturday, May 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. there will be a yard sale to benefit the club's scholarship fund. The address is 2 Twinbrook, Andover. (Rain date is Sunday, May 19.) This will be the club's final event of the current season.

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Quota of Andover hosts Tri-City meeting

Quota of Andover recently hosted the Quota international District 29's Annual Tri-City Meeting for the clubs in Andover, Lawrence and Haverhill, held at Old Town Hall on Main Street.

President Marsha Cohen welcomed all in attendance and introduced the guest speaker and the district governor, as well as the presidents and president-elects from each club.

A buffet dinner was served.

The guest speaker was state Sen. Sue Tucker, who spoke about domestic violence and the current situation in the legal system, the problems as well as the progress being made.

Tucker mentioned the budget crisis during this period of economic downswing and asked for those present to continue to give their support especially in these times. She ended her talk by answering questions from the audience.

Kate Rockey, district governor of Quota, then addressed those in attendance. She gave recognition to the Haverhill Club, which is a very small club but is still operating and "doing many worthwhile things." She spoke about how each club has a different focus for the year and talked about the many different things clubs in and out of the district are doing.

Cohen presented both Tucker and Rockey gifts from all three clubs at the end of their talks.

'Aging Outrageously and Courageously'

Quota International of Andover will have Ruth Jacobs, a well-known sociolo-



Quota Tri-City Meeting - From left: Nancy Dube, president-elect of Quota International of Andover; state Sen. Sue Tucker; and Marsha Cohen, president of Quota's Andover group.

gist, educator, poet and writer, as a guest speaker at its Spring Program Meeting.

The meeting will be held Tuesday, April 30 beginning at 7 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library and is open to the public at no charge. Light refreshments will be served after Jacobs's talk.

She will talk on "Aging Outrageously and Courageously." This promises to be a lighthearted evening for women of all ages, organizers said.

Jacobs currently is a researcher at the Wellesley College Center on Women and teaches at the Springfield College School of Human Services in Manchester, N.H., as well as Regis College and Brandeis University.

She has also led workshops throughout the United States and abroad. Her most recent book (of the nine she has written) is "The ABC's of Aging: Mother Ruth's Rhymes for Aging, Saging and Raging."

She has served on the AARP's National Task Force on Aging and Mental Health.

In 1998, she won the Athena Award for her book on mentoring, "Women Who Touched My Life."



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NMH chaplain and sings at many of the school services. His wife Elizabeth graduated from Harvard divinity School in 1997, and was almost immediately selected by the Northwestern Massachusetts prep school to be the first woman chaplain in the history of that institution.

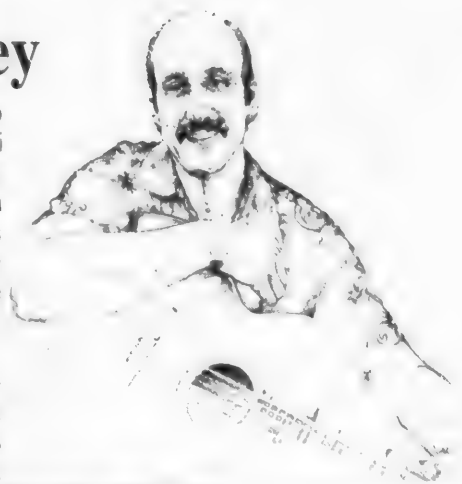
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p.m., SouthWinds, an informal contemporary worship service at South Church, welcomes back Elizabeth and Noel for a service of music and the spirit. Elizabeth will be speaking on the subject of spiritual renewal and life changes. Something she calls "The Aha Moment." Both will speak to the spiritual rebirth in their own lives.

Noel uses folk story-so explore the idea that a spiritual connection exists between humans. With inspirational meaningful lyrics, Noel's songs seek to reveal the loving heart of the divine hidden in everyday life, organizers said.

This year when not performing on tour with Peter, Paul & Mary, Noel has appeared in concert with Christian music composer and performer Michael Kelly Blanchard.

The Saturday evening SouthWinds services at South Church are presented in a simple contemporary format meant for all ages, providing another way to make God's word relevant in our daily lives.



Noel 'Paul' Stookey

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More than 200 people gathered at an educational forum on the current Middle East conflict hosted recently by Merrimack College to hear from a panel of individuals who have grown up living this conflict and who shared their experiences and insights in an effort to better understand both sides of the issue. Hope rather than despair was the overriding feeling of the four panelists. From left are: Gidi Grinstein, Laila Moussa El-Haddad, state Rep. Barry Finegold of Andover (who served as moderator), Alon Ben-David, and Anthony Wanis-St. John.

Reception honors young Valley poets

In celebration of National Poetry Month, the Stevens Memorial Library is hosting a reception for young poets in the library rotunda on Sunday, April 28, at 3 p.m., in honor of the student poets who entered the annual Anne Bradstreet Youth Poetry Contest. Awards will be presented to the winning poets in three categories: Grades 7-8; 9-10; and 11-12. The 2002 contest judges were Andover poet Mark Schorr and West Boxford librarian and teacher Carol Plate.

This year's 16 winners are students from schools throughout the Merrimack Valley, including Rachel Titter, an eighth-grade prize-winner from Doherty Middle School.

The public is invited to the reception to view the poem entries and enjoy recitations by these talented young poets as well as readings by the judges and Friends of Anne Bradstreet. For more information, call Jill Barker at 978-688-9505. The Stevens Memorial Library is located at 345 Main St., North Andover.

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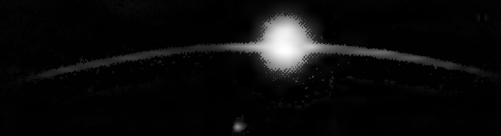
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Arts & Entertainment

Different Wizard takes stage Colonial Chorus performs 'The Wiz' this weekend at Memorial Auditorium

By Rebecca Piro

It won't take long for the audience at this weekend's showing of *The Wiz* to realize it's not in Kansas anymore.

In fact, the audience is in store for an adventure quite unlike the land of Oz they may be expecting from the traditional *Wizard of Oz* starring Judy Garland.

The Colonial Chorus Players of Reading, including several Andover participants, will perform *The Wiz* on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Doherty Middle School's Memorial Auditorium. One clue that things are different might be the Scarecrow without a brain — who's hanging, not on a fencepost in the middle of a cornfield, but off McDonald's golden arches, complete with crows pecking at discarded french fries by his feet.

"It's a much more urban thing than suburban," says Ben Pascucci of Island Way, who plays the royal gatekeeper at the entrance to the land of Oz.

"I've been watching *The Wizard of Oz* (the movie) for years," says his wife Alice, the show's assistant director. "It seems as though they've almost turned it into a rock musical."

The Wiz was adapted from L. Frank Baum's book *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* in the '70s. A cast of black actors and actresses first presented the show on Broadway in 1975 — a commentary on the struggle of blacks in America, according to a

Newsweek review — and it won seven Tony Awards. *The Wiz* was later filmed with a cast including Diana Ross, Richard Pryor and Lena Horne.

This weekend's production, while on a much smaller scale, boasts a cast of 59 people, says Ben Pascucci.

"The *Wiz* himself, in this production, has a much larger part. He is more philosophical," he says.

"The (yellow brick) road is actually live characters that take Dorothy to her destination," adds Alice Pascucci. "None of the songs sound anything like what people think of with *The Wizard of Oz* (the movie). It's an upbeat, contemporary type of song."

"It's not a toe-tapping (music) — it's more of a rock," her husband adds.

The show opened last weekend with two performances. Both were well attended, says Ben Pascucci. Other Andover residents involved include actor Justin Colombo, director Dana Bissett and costume designer Pam LeMieux. Several crew members are also from Andover.

Justin Colombo, 12, of Rocky Hill Road, plays a Munchkin and a Winkie, a slave of the Wicked Witch of the West. He says he likes the modern twist *The Wiz* spins.

"I thought *The Wiz* was better. It's more like today, more updated," he says. A seventh-grader at

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Phillips Academy students Ryan Greiko and Natalie Ho collaborated on a documentary about stereotypes that people from Lawrence and Andover have regarding each other.

A fresh take on community High-school students create documentary film on differences in Andover and Lawrence

By Kyra Auffermann

"Lawrence is dangerous! Don't go there at night!"

"Andover is snotty and rich. They're all yuppie preps."

Natalie Ho and Ryan Greiko are attempting to address these stereotypes, often repeated when some members of the Andover or Lawrence community speak of one another.

In their documentary *The Invisible Wall: Breaking down the Barrier between Andover and Lawrence*, the two Phillips Academy students attempt to address the issues preventing the towns from forging a closer relationship. Problems such as crime and education were discussed.

The film illustrated the situation through a series of interviews. Public officials, such as Lawrence's mayor Michael J. Sullivan, and ordinary citizens spoke about the problems facing Lawrence, as well as the preconceptions that dominate the attitude members of each town have toward members of the other.

"I expected (the Lawrence kids) to be more 'ghetto' than they actually are," said Andover High senior Mike Kleinman in the doc-

umentary, talking about the students he's worked with through AHS's community service program.

Production of the documentary was a labor-intensive process; the background research and filming lasted through January, February and into March. The final cut was compiled from 18 hours of film. "We would spend hours and hours working in the editing room," recounts Ryan, "We'd be there from early in the morning until late at night."

The cameras captured varying viewpoints, ranging from careful political rhetoric to an outspoken former resident of Lawrence describing the prejudice from "rich towns like Andover and North Andover."

"The documentary focused on how we treat Lawrence," said Phuonghu Nguyen, an AHS student. "It described Andover people not visiting Lawrence as much, but whenever I do go there, I get harassed. They know — or they assume — I don't belong."

Sullivan addressed factors contributing to the stereotypes, such as the perceived crime rate of Lawrence, which he said was low

in comparison to other cities.

After working on this documentary, Natalie says that she is less apprehensive of visiting Lawrence.

"Before, I was terrified," she said. "I was always warned not to go at night." After getting to know the area, however, she feels more comfortable.

Fear is not the only thing deterring Andoverites from going into Lawrence; having no need to venture into the area was a prevalent explanation. However, both Ryan and Natalie mentioned the enriching culture Lawrence had to offer. "The Spanish culture is the fastest growing minority in America," Natalie pointed out.

Approximately 40 people, mostly Andover citizens, attended the premiere last Sunday at Kemper Auditorium at Phillips Academy.

The video has been submitted to the Andover Homegrown Film Festival, and there has been talk about another Andover showing, and possibly bringing it to Lawrence.

It may also appear on local cable, according to the film makers. No dates have been set.

Local artist Doug Bell puts twist on household items

Andover artist Doug Bell will show his installation art works at Hallspace Gallery on Norfolk Avenue in Boston from now until May 25. The photo of the jars below is a detail from one of the sculptures in the current show. The piece, called "15 Cabinets," is made up of 15 glass-front, metal medicine cabinets mounted to the wall and filled with materials including baby-food jars filled with odd nuts and bolts. To learn more about Bell's works, and to find times and directions to the show, go to <www.members.aol.com/hallspace1/gallery.html>.



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Thursday, April 25

My Fair Lady, Pentucket Players, 8 p.m., call for prices and reservations, Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, North Andover; 978-521-9259.

Employee compensation program discussion, sponsored by Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce, learn about enhancing employee compensation policies, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m., \$20 for member, \$35 for non-member, Andover Country Club, 60 Canter-

bury St.; 978-686-0900.

Andovers Writers' Group presents Michael Veves and Gayle Heney in a program called "So You Want To Publish Your Own Journal," 7:30 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, lower

floor opposite Children's section, Elm Square; George LeMaitre 978-475-7462.

Friday, April 26

Live comedy, Michael Petit, John

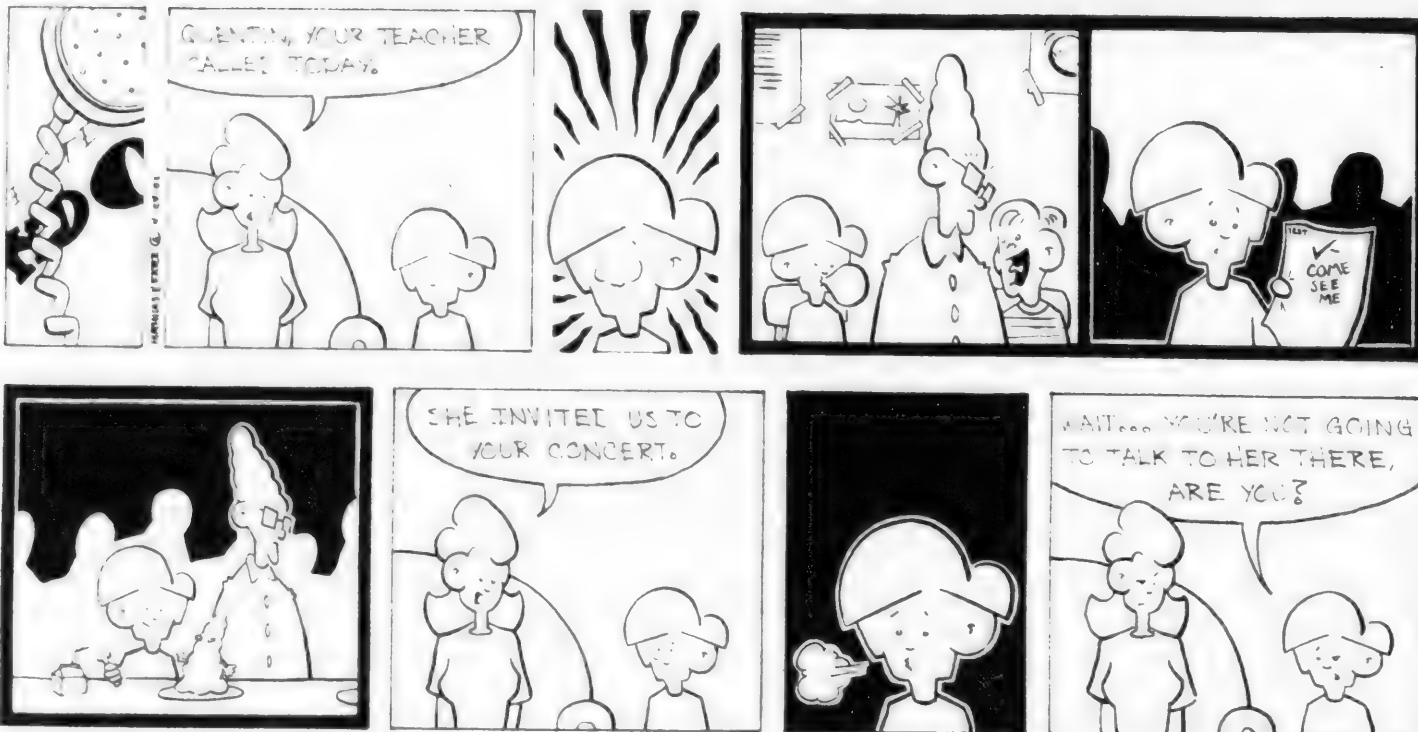
Pizzi, Kelly McFarland, call for prices, Comedy Palace, Grill 93, Andover; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

"Mozart to Musicals - Little Gems: Arias & Duets," a benefit recital

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ENTERING ANDOVER

By Neil Fater and Don Mathias



The Wiz blows into town

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Doherty Middle School, Colombo has worked with the Colonial Chorus Players for about four years. This year, his mother Lee will be working alongside him for the first time as a crew member.

"Usually I'm just watching," Lee Colombo says. "(This year) he encouraged me to experience it with him."

The Wiz lifts the curtain at 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. The players will perform a final show at 2 p.m. Sunday. People interested in tickets should call the box office at 781-944-9780.

"I think when people come, they will look at it and say, 'Oh!' They have the mindset of the original Wizard of Oz," says Alice Pascucci.

Whether the audience likes the twist on the traditional, they'll still leave the performance with a familiar thought, adds Ben Pascucci.

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sponsored by the Center for Performing Arts and the Wakefield Repertory Theatre, Alice Vail Johannen and Laura Serafino Harbert singing arias and songs from opera and musical theater, 7:30 p.m., \$15, First Congregational Church, Church Street, Wakefield; 781-245-1173.

Live music, with White Lightning, 9 p.m., Palmer's Restaurant, 18 Elm St.; 978-470-1606.

The Wiz, Colonial Chorus Players featuring Justin Colombo, Ben Pascucci, Dana Bissett, Alice Pascucci, and Pam LeMieux, all of Andover, Memorial Auditorium at Doherty Middle School, call for times and prices; 781-944-9780.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Paul Nardizzi, Greg Boggis, Dave Rattigan, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Saturday, April 27

Religious speaker, featuring Fr. Michael Manning from San Bernardino, Calif., 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$10, must preregister, Franciscan Center, 459 River Road; Deacon Allan Ramey 978-682-5658.

SouthWinds, an informal contemporary worship service at South Church, welcomes back Elizabeth and Noel "Paul" Stookey, a service of music and talk on spiritual renewal and life changes, 5 p.m., free, South Church, Central Street; Ed Parker 978-475-2659.

Live comedy, Soap Stars 5 and 8 p.m., Michael Petit, John Pizzi, Kelly McFarland, call for prices, Comedy Palace, Grill 93, Andover; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Yard sale, sponsored by The Friendly Circle, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Robinson Hall, Andover Baptist Church, 7 Central St.; Shirley Guild 978-475-8380.

Yard sale celebrating Earth Day, sponsored by DCS, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., \$5 per spot to exhibit items for sale (rain



Jim and Maggie Dalton will perform SpringSongs Saturday, April 27 at Crossroads Coffeehouse in North Andover.

date is May 4); Mary Donohue 978-623-8274.

Jim and Maggi Dalton in concert with SpringSongs, a celebration of spring and the vernal equinox, doors open at 7:15 p.m., concert at 8, \$12, Crossroads Coffeehouse, North Parish Church, North Andover; 978-687-3960 or 978-687-7948.

Howie Newman's folk and fun on a double bill with the Yankee Chickens: Swinging Bluegrass Trio, 8 p.m. concert, \$10, Daily Grind Coffeehouse, First United Methodist Church, North Andover; 978-682-5305.

Senior recital weekend at Phillips Academy, at 7 p.m. violinist Jan Hsi Lui will perform the 1st movement of the *String Quartet, Opus 18, No. 4* by Beethoven; Also being performed is the *Bach Sonata No. 1 in G minor* for unaccompanied violin, and the Beethoven *Spring Sonata* for violin and piano. At 9:30 p.m., Alexander Leigh will perform on the piano Debussy's *Le petit Noir*; Brahms's *Hungarian Dance No. 1* and Gershwin's *Swanee, The Man I Love and I Got Rhythm*; on the violin, he will play *Bach's Partita No. 2 in D minor*,

S. 1004; Tedesco's *Eclogues*, free and open to the public, Timken Room at Graves Hall, on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St.; 978-749-4263 or <music@andover.edu>.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Paul Nardizzi, Greg Boggis, Dave Rattigan, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

The Wiz, see April 26 entry.

Sunday, April 28

Andovers Artists Guild's April meeting, Bruce Turner of Rockport will demonstrate his technique in oil painting, refreshments served, 2 p.m., guest fee \$2, North Parish Church, 190 Academy Road in the Olde Center, North Andover; Phila Slade 978-683 9282.

Combined choirs of South Church in Andover and West Parish Church will perform the *Bach Magnificat BWV 243* in their Sunday worship services with full orchestra, directed by Megan Sharp, service will also include the *Bach Brandenburg Concerto No. 2*, 10 a.m., West Parish Church, 129 Reservation Road; 978-475-3528.

The Wiz, see April 26 entry.



Ruth Jacobs will talk on "Aging Outrageously and Courageously," Tuesday, April 30 at Memorial Hall Library.

Monday, April 29

Phillips Academy's annual College Fair, area students and parents are invited to attend and meet representatives of 135 colleges and universities, 5-7 p.m., in the Case Memorial Cage, Main Street and Highland Road, Phillips Academy; 978-749-4150.

Tuesday, April 30

Lecture and kosher lunch, sponsored by the N.E. Jewish Business & Professional Network, and a project of Chabad Lubavitch of Merrimack Valley, featuring guest speaker Aron J. Ain of Kronos Inc., noon-1:30 p.m., \$18, Ramada Rolling Green Hotel, 311 Lowell St., RSVP by April 26; 978-475-1853 or <nejpn@yahoo.com>.

Ruth Jacobs will talk on "Aging Outrageously and Courageously," at Quota International of Andover spring program meeting, refreshments served after Jacobs's talk, 7 p.m., open to the public at no charge, Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; Marsha Cohen 978-475-3904, or Jean Comstock 978-475-0328.

North Shore Community College greenhouse plant sale, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., lower greenhouse, NSCC's Essex Aggie campus, Route 62, Danvers; Therese O'Connell 978-475-0727.

Wednesday, May 1

Merrimack Valley Camera Club meeting, featuring Ken Wadness: North to Alaska, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 978-689-9643.

North Shore Community College greenhouse plant sale, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., see April 30 entry.

Thursday, May 2

North Shore Community College greenhouse plant sale, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., see April 30 entry.



David Polansky will perform music and songs at Memorial Hall Library Saturday, May 4.

Friday, May 3

Live comedy, Jeff Altman, Larry Myles, Darren Lacroix, call for prices, Comedy Palace, Grill 93, Andover; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Steve Sweeney, Bob Niles, Ben Murray, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

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Saturday, May 4

Yard sale, sponsored by Dollars for Scholars, 8 a.m.-noon, West Middle School parking lot, Shawsheen Road; Cathy Wallace 978-475-4094.

Annual Trinitarian Church Yard Sale features attic and basement "treasures," 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at the

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church parsonage, merchandise to include books, dishware, and collectibles, Trinitarian Church, 250 Main St. (corner of Main and Church streets), North Andover; Marcia Sampson 978-683-7911.

Laughter in the Library, a Family Cabaret for all ages, featuring composer David Polansky presenting a rainbow of original songs in styles both funny and serious; audience is encouraged to ask questions, sing, dance, and generally "let it all out"; 2:30-3:30 p.m., free with limited seating, Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; Norma Gammon 978-623-8400.

The New England Classical Singers present "To Make Words Sing," a program of poetry set to music, 8 p.m., at the Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, North Andover, featuring the Brahms *Liedeslieder Waltzes*, Debussy *Trois Chansons De Charles D'Orleans*.

Voices of Terezin, the haunting poems written by children from the Terezin concentration camp set to music by composer Aaron Rosenthal, and more; tickets at Andover Bookstore, Rogers Center Box Office; 978-474-6090 or <www.newenglandclassical.org>.

Live comedy, 9:30 p.m., Matty Blake, Bob Niles, Ben Murray, call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, North Andover; 781-938-8088.

Sunday, May 5

The Andover Choral Society presents its spring concert "...All Angels Cry Aloud," music of the English Cathedral Tradition, 4 p.m., at First Calvary Baptist Church, Rt. 125 & Mass. Ave., N. Andover. The concert honors the 150th birthday of Sir Charles Villiers Stanford and will also include the music of Vaughan Williams, Parry, Noble, Harwood, Bainton, and Howells. Conductor: Allen Combs; Organist: Leonardo Ciampa; Soloist:

Joe Dan Harper. Tickets are \$10; Catherine Bruton 978-687-8225.

Combined choirs of South Church and West Parish Church will perform the Bach *Magnificat* BWV 243 in their Sunday worship services with full orchestra, directed by Megan Sharp. Service will also include the Bach *Brandenburg Concerto No. 2*, 10:30 a.m., South Church 41 Central St.; 978-475-0321.

Ongoing

Museums and Historic Homes

Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., Andover. Tour the Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum for a glimpse into life in the early 19th century. Contemporary Andover Artists Series exhibition. Inspired by Nature: Paintings & Drawings by Tamara Krendel, through June 30; The Andover Historical Society is a participant in SiteLines: Art on Main, the outdoor art project sponsored by the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy, opening Saturday, May 4. Artist Mark Dion chose the collections of the Historical Society to be the inspiration for his exhibition. Selections from the Miniature Department of Decorative Arts. The installation includes artifacts from the collections of the Historical Society and private donors. Dion researched the collections of the Historical Society to find objects that relate to the history of children. The exhibition is a new interpretation of familiar objects

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New England Classical Singers remember Holocaust

The New England Classical Singers (NECS) presents *To Make Words Sing* a program of poems set to music at 8 p.m., Saturday, May 4 at the Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College in North Andover.

This concert will feature Boston Composer Aaron Rosenthal's award winning composition *Voices of Terezin* a choral composition of poems written by children imprisoned in the Terezin concentration camp during the Holocaust.

"These powerful poems are a stunning contrast of death and despair with life and art," observed David Hodgkins, artistic director of NECS.

Speaking at the concert will be noted Holocaust lecturer Helen Wertheimer, who came to the United States via a Kindertransport.

The Kindertransport enabled about 10,000 children to leave Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia in 1938-39 and to live in either foster homes or orphanages, temporarily, according to a press release.

A recent visitor to the Terezin Camp, Wertheimer will speak



Helen Wertheimer

about the children's poetry within the context of the concentration camp and the Holocaust. "Once the actual survivors are gone it is confined to the history books," commented Mrs. Wertheimer.

Also featured will be the Brahms *Liedeslieder Waltzes*, Debussy's *Trois Chansons de Charles D'Orleans* and Emma Lou Diemer's *Three Madrigals* with texts from the poetry of William Shakespeare.

For information, call 978-474-6090. Tickets are also available at Andover Bookstore, Rogers Center Box Office or at <www.newenglandclassical.org>.

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and is delightful in its breadth, scope and visual appeal. Opening day festivities at the Historical Society will run 2-4 p.m. "Small Story Stops" will explore ideas about miniatures, wee folks, and small animals as presented in children's stories and books, volunteer readers will be stationed around the museum and grounds reading selections from favorite children's books, such as *Stuart Little*, *The Borrowers*, and more, free of charge.

Dion's Selections from the Miniature Department of Decorative Arts is one of nine projects that are part of Site-Lines: Art on Main, an outdoor exhibition of the Addison Gallery of American Art at Phillips Academy. The projects have been created by artists working with high-school students from Andover and Lawrence. They will be on exhibit free to the public May 4-Sept. 29, at sites along Main Street in Andover from Elm Square to the Phillips campus. Call the Addison Gallery for more information at 978-749-4015. The Caroline Underhill Research Library and Archives is open by appointment; call for an appointment; the museum is open for tours Tuesday through Friday 1-4 p.m. \$5 admission; students \$3; 978-475-2236 <www.andhist.org>.

Museum of Printing, 800 Massachusetts Ave., North Andover, featuring antique printing equipment, \$5 admission, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday, 1-8 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; 978-686-0450 or <www.museumofprinting.org>.

North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St. changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th- to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties; 978-686-4035.

American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; *All for One & One for All: Uniforms in Fact and Fantasy*, exhibition features an array of more than 50 "fact and fantasy" uniforms worn by military, religious, civic, business, entertainment and sports figures drawn from museums across the country as well as from individuals and organizations in the region, through May 27; *Famous American Series*, a program of Thursday evening events at the museum, 7 p.m., each of the six programs in the series features a different historic portrayal of a person who has figured significantly in American life, runs approximately 45 minutes, free with general museum admission; schedule of performances: *Third Thursday Modern Film Classic Series* dinner and a movie, package includes general museum admission, 5:30 p.m. buffet supper in the Gazebo Café, 6:45 p.m. introduction of the featured film and explanation of the costumes' significance by a museum host, and 7 p.m. movie, May 16, 7 p.m. *Remains of the Day*; package cost is \$15, or \$5

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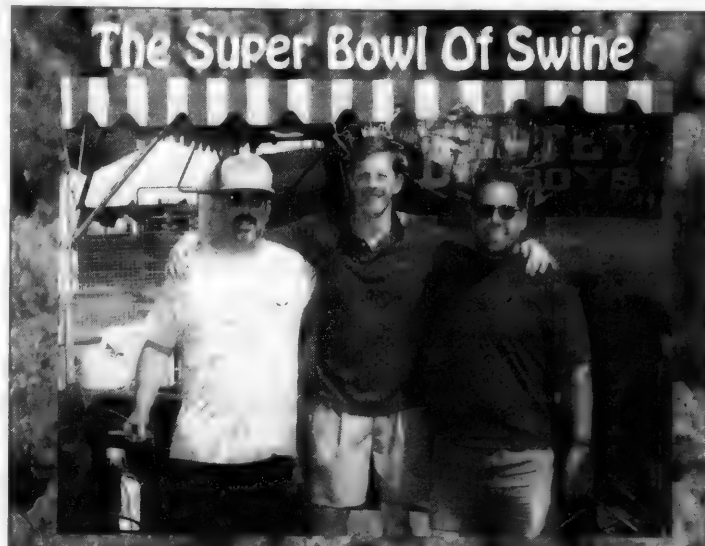
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Andy King, Peter Cook, and Dirk Burrowes are The Bastey Boys. They have been competing in barbecue cook-offs since 1998, when urged by a friend,

King entered a local competition, and won a second place trophy with babyback ribs, according to a press release.

After another competition or two, Cook joined the team to assist with the prep work. It wasn't long before Burrowes came on board to round out the combo.

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The Bastey Boys team has been featured in numerous publications, including *The Boston Globe*, and *The Rutland Herald*, and *Yankee Food Service*.

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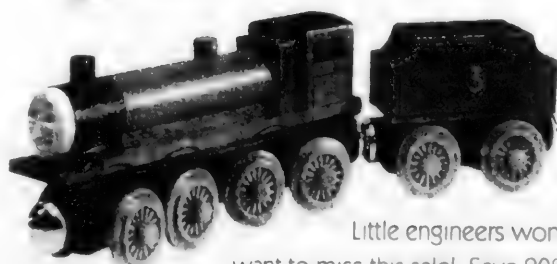
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Boott Cotton Mills Museum. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 400 Foot of John, Lowell.

New England Quilt Museum. Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 18 Shattuck St., Lowell; 978-452-4207.

Lawrence Heritage State Park. open daily, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., 1 Jackson St., Lawrence; 794-1655.

Custom House Maritime Museum. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Thursday and Sunday, 1-4 p.m., 25 Water St., Newburyport; its Lowell Boat Shop, 459 Main St., Amesbury. Wednesday-Sunday; 978-388-0162.

Wenham Museum. \$5 adults, \$3 children ages 2 and up, 132 Main St., Wenham; 978-468-2377.

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Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art, current exhibitions include *Resemblance: Photographs by Anna Gaskell*, through April 21; Maurice Prendergast: *Learning to Look*, through April 14, an exhibition featuring more than 60 paintings and watercolors; *Defying Distinction: Works from the Addison Collection*, through April 14, featuring works by Joseph Cornell, Louise Nevelson, John Chamberlain, Dorothea Rockburne, and Martin Puryear, among others, denying immediate categorization and forcing an appreciation of their unique physical presence, blurring the distinctions between traditional media; Phillips Academy campus, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; BJ Larson 978-749-4027, 978-749-4015 or <bjlarson@andover.edu>.

Rockport painter to demonstrate skills to Andovers Artists Guild

The Andovers Artists Guild will hold its April meeting on Sunday, April 28 at 2 p.m., at the North Parish Church at 190 Academy Road in North Andover's Olde Center.

Bruce Turner of Rockport, Mass. will demonstrate his technique in oil painting. Turner has had a gallery in Rockport for 30 years. He has received many prestigious awards, according to a press release. He is listed in *Who's Who in American Art*, and has appeared in *American Artist Magazine*, and *The Best of Oil Paintings*, among others.

Turner says that his primary goal has always been to create work that interprets light and atmosphere in a compelling and heartfelt way. He holds workshops in Rockport and elsewhere and teaches privately as well. Refreshments will be served. Guest fee: \$2.

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Friday, April 19 - At 1:47 p.m., Joshua Kerwin, 23, of 269 Mason St., Milford, N.H., was arrested and charged on three warrants. The first was for larceny of goods worth less than \$250; the second was for larceny of goods worth more than \$250 and for uttering a false document; and the third was for larceny of goods worth less than \$250 and for possession of Class D and Class C substances.

At 10:54 p.m., Shannon Slater, 29, of 111 Thoreau Way, Apt. 818, Lawrence, was arrested and charged with driving outside of marked lanes and driving under the influence of alcohol.

At 11:53 p.m., police took a female from Merrimack College into protective custody for intoxication.

Saturday, April 20 - At 2:33 a.m., police arrested a 16-year-old female from Lawrence and charged her as a minor in possession of alcohol and with trespassing and resisting arrest.

At 3:14 p.m., Elvio Oliveira, 30, of 180 Andover St., Apt. 1, was arrested and charged with assault with a dangerous weapon - a door.

At 10:04 p.m., Amanda Dubuque, 17, of 131 River Road, was arrested and charged with possessing false identification and attempting to purchase liquor.

At 10:25 p.m., Brian Keane, 18, of 165 Humphrey St., Lowell, was arrested and charged with possessing false identification and attempting to purchase liquor.

Sunday, April 21 - At 8:15 p.m., Andrew Halfpenny, 17, of 24 Chestnut Court, was arrested and charged with shoplifting.

Monday, April 22 - At 11:06 a.m., Chester Cappucci, 35, of 19 Summit Place, Newburyport, was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended license.

Tuesday, April 23 - At 8:10 a.m., David Gagnon, 37, of 41 Coopers Grove Road, Kingston, N.H., was arrested and charged on a warrant for driving with a suspended license, leaving the scene of property damage, driving outside of marked lanes,

and driving with a suspended registration.

At 6:16 p.m., Joseph Howard, 24, of 63 Lucerne Drive, was arrested and charged with trafficking a Class B substance.

At 10:26 p.m., police took a 32-year-old male from Lexington into protective custody for intoxication.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, April 17 - At 11:16 a.m., a caller reported that a transformer exploded and power went out on Boston Road.

At 12:40 p.m., a Raytheon employee called to report concerns about a goose that had laid eggs on the company's lawn. The animal control officer determined that the goose had plenty of water and both it and the eggs would be fine.

At 4:56 p.m., a resident turned in a cell phone found at The Park.

At 7:15 p.m., police assisted firefighters in extinguishing a camp fire off River Street.

At 7:40 p.m., a Central Street resident reported a barking dog.

Thursday, April 18 - At 11:40 a.m., Lawrence police reported that a male had fallen off his bike in the forest and hurt himself near Harold Parker Road. Andover police hunted

for the man until it was determined that he was in North Andover.

At 12:12 p.m., a customer at King's Subs found some money. An employee from the sub shop turned the money over to police.

At 3:02 p.m., an officer was to file on a counterfeit bill turned in at Market Basket.

At 3:41 p.m., a caller from Wild Oats reported a counterfeit \$20.

At 6:13 p.m., a Greenwood Road resident reported a water main break when they saw water bubbling up from the street.

At 8:16 p.m., a detective issued a court summons to three people on River Road for possession of a Class D substance.

Friday, April 19 - At 12:18 p.m., a detective issued a court summons to a male at west Andover Mobil Station for possession of a Class D substance and for driving with a suspended license.

At 12:23 p.m., a detective issued a court summons to a male at the west Andover Mobil Station for possession of a Class D substance.

At 12:36 p.m., detectives issued court summons to a male on River Road for possession of a Class B substance and to another male for pos-

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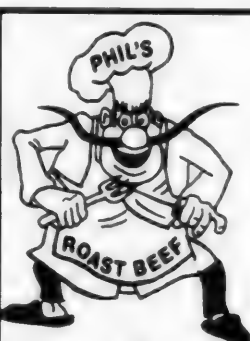
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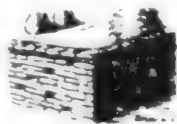
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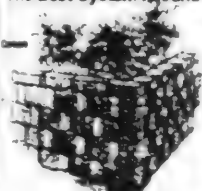
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Neighbors evacuated briefly for gas

Workers hit gas line while digging hole on Salem Street

By Rebecca Piro

A strong smell of gas filled the air on Salem Street Friday around 4 p.m., causing police to briefly evacuate some homeowners.

"Are we all going to explode? What's going to happen?" exclaimed Louise Abbot of 58 Salem St. She lives two houses away from No. 64, where employees of Atlantic Coast Fence Co., out of Amesbury, hit a gas line while digging a hole for a fence post. Police, fearing a potential explosion, closed a portion of Salem Street and evacuated abutting residents.

"It's an unfortunate way to end the day," said employee Richard Nelson. "We were installing the last panels."

The contractors had already cleared their project with the gas company, which had marked the gas line going up to the house with little yellow flags. The fence contractors, who said they didn't know they were so close to a gas line, should have been digging with shovels, says Fire Lt. Barry Thornton. They were using a power digger.

"We could smell (the gas) and hear it coming out," said employee Douglas Brassil. The employees knew they had a problem on their hands and called emergency crews immediately.

The owners of the property

were not home. The gas company plugged the leak and the gas dissipated safely, said Thornton. Residents returned to their homes by 4:45 p.m.

"It's better to be safe than sorry," Thornton said.



PHOTO BY TIM JEAN

Workers hit a gas main last Friday while digging a hole for a fence on Salem Street.

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INCIDENTS

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session of a Class D substance.

Saturday, April 20 - At 1:42 a.m., police assisted EMTs at the Monican Center with an intoxicated 19-year-old female.

At 6:59 a.m., police received several calls about a possible earthquake.

At 12:02 p.m., a resident from High Street reported being hit in the head with a BB gun. A responding officer was to speak to the kids with the BB gun.

At 10:11 p.m., a Balmoral Street resident complained that he had left his boots in the hallway yesterday, someone took them, and returned them filled with feces.

Monday, April 22 - At 10:21 a.m., a Burton Farm Drive resident reported that a wild turkey was running at children.

At 2:55 p.m., a resident reported that a puppy had been tied to a tree on Lowell Street for days without food, water or shelter. The animal-control officer took the dog.

Tuesday, April 23 - At 3:08 p.m., a female came into the station to talk to an officer about some drugs she had found. The officer confiscated the drugs.

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Business

IN BRIEF

Moore to head litigation group here

The law firm of Devine, Millimet & Branch announced that George R. Moore will head the firm's Andover commercial litigation practice group, effective March 18.

Moore has been a member of the firm's litigation department since 1977, where he concentrates his practice in the areas of commercial disputes, intellectual property and professional malpractice. His experience includes litigating contracts, shareholder and intellectual property disputes, including patent, trademark and technology issues, tax and real estate litigation and eminent domain. Moore has also defended numerous professionals before state agencies and in the courts concerning allegations of professional malpractice.



George R. Moore

In his new position with the firm's Massachusetts commercial litigation effort, he will be responsible for the development of this growing practice group. Moore will maintain an office in the Manchester, N.H. headquarters where he will continue to work on New Hampshire cases. He will spend time in both the Manchester and Andover offices.

Moore received his bachelor's degree from St. Lawrence University and his law degree from the Washington & Lee School of Law. He served as a captain in the US Army for four years. He was president of the New Hampshire Bar Association in 1999-00. Moore lives with his wife and son in Windham, N.H.

Flashenberg named executive director of Woodbridge Assisted Living

Harriet Flashenberg has been promoted to executive director of Woodbridge Assisted Living community, in Peabody, after being named interim executive director in January. Woodbridge is sponsored by the Jewish Rehabilitation Center for Aged of the North Shore.



Harriet Flashenberg

"Harriet has done an exemplary job as both interim Executive Director and as Woodbridge's Marketing Director for the past three years, and we are extremely pleased to have her join the JRC's senior management team," says Steve Roizen, JRC CEO. "Woodbridge residents and staff also have the highest opinion of her skills and abilities."

The former Andover High School business education teacher entered the geriatric services field in 1990 by chance. While searching for long-term care for a family member, she was offered a job at an ADS Group long-term facility, then owned by the Solomont family, where she pioneered the position of admissions/marketing director that has become commonplace today.

While with ADS Group, Flashenberg, who graduated from Barnard College with a degree in sociology, earned an LSW degree. She was director of social services at Willow Manor prior to joining Woodbridge as marketing director in 1999.

"I came to Woodbridge with a strong customer service orientation, and the belief that Woodbridge offered excellent supportive services that enhance the quality of life for a growing elderly population," Flashenberg says. "We are here for one reason only - to provide top quality services to the elderly, and a sense of security for their families."

A better way to commute to Wyeth

Up to 350 Granite-state commuters per day can leave their cars at home

By Rebecca Piro

The bus that pulled up to the curb at Wyeth BioPharma last Tuesday brought with it more than commuters - it brought a way to improve Ballardvale traffic.

The pharmaceutical company says the bus will give up to 350 Wyeth workers who live in New Hampshire another way to get to work.

Last month, Wyeth - formerly Genetics Institute - announced that it would hire another 400 employees in the next year, boosting its work force to 2,000. Some Ballardvale residents, who say that Wyeth and other companies' workers cut through their roads to get to work from Interstate 93 and Route 125, feared traffic would get that much worse.

But Wyeth says it's working to improve the traffic situation, and the introduction of this bus route is one example.

For \$3 one way, up to 350 Granite-state commuters per day can leave their cars at home. About 120 employees have already expressed interest in the service, says spokesperson Margie Ross Decter. Regular bus riders will be guaranteed a ride home by Wyeth, even in the case of an emergency when an employee needs to leave work mid-day.

The New Hampshire to Massachusetts bus joins several other traffic-mitigation efforts created by the Transportation Management Organization, a collaboration of Wyeth and Gillette. The TMO also offers free door-to-door shuttle service for employees who live in Andover, North Andover, Methuen and Lawrence; subsidized commuter rail and MBTA passes; and a car pool program, says Stan Franzeen, coordinator of the TMO. The Merrimack Valley

Regional Transportation Authority helped secure funding from Massachusetts and New Hampshire for the program, he adds.

Wyeth has also joined the US Environmental Protection Agency's Commuter Choice Leadership Initiative, which is an effort to reduce traffic congestion and air pollution. Wyeth's offerings are some of the most generous commuter benefits in Massachusetts, according to the EPA.

"It's rewarding to witness this important commitment firsthand," says Art Barber, a Sparta Way resident and a member of the Ballardvale Traffic Task Force. Concerned residents like Barber have been working with the town and talking to Wyeth officials in hopes of improving traffic on Ballardvale roads.

The bus seats 49 passengers and two wheelchairs. Its schedule will include four morning departures from park-

and-ride lots in Londonderry and Windham. Employees can choose from four evening departures as well to board the bus back home. If the bus is successful, Wyeth and the TMO will look to expand this and other traffic mitigation programs.

"I'm looking forward to using this as much as possible," says Ian Striffler, a Wyeth employee from Manchester, N.H. "I'm pleased about the fact that it will save me a lot of wear and tear on my truck. Given it was the 5 a.m. shuttle, I napped."

"I applaud the progress the TMO has made in this past year," says Ray Hender, Andover selectmen chairman. "I want to show the town of Andover's support of Wyeth, which has been an outstanding corporate citizen and an ardent supporter of providing innovative solutions to neighborhood priorities."



People from both sides of the border separating Massachusetts and New Hampshire welcomed Wyeth's new commuter bus last Tuesday, April 16. From left are Chris Perley, Wyeth's managing director; Katrina Dallaire and Ian Striffler, both Wyeth employees and residents of Manchester, N.H.; Art Barber, Andover resident and member of the Ballardvale Traffic Task Force; Stan Franzeen, Junction TMO coordinator; David Abdou, director of policy for Mass. Executive Office of Transportation and Construction; Dale Blank, Wyeth/President, Junction TMO; and Ray Hender, Andover selectman.

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Sports

AHS Roundup

Vacation's over – and it's back to work for AHS

By Rick Harrison

The Andover High boys varsity volleyball team didn't skip a beat after a 10-day layoff, returning to the court following school vacation week and rolling to a 2-0 victory over visiting Lowell at the Dunn Gym.

The win was the third straight for the AHS netmen, improving the overall record to 5-2 and the Merrimack Valley Conference mark to 4-2.

The Golden Warriors had a match at Dracut yesterday, after *Townsmen* presstime, and return home versus Haverhill tomorrow night (6 p.m.).

Capt. Steve Johnson and Elliot Perkins were the top hitters for the Golden Warriors with seven and five kills respectively. Johnson was also 8-for-9 serving and Perkins 12-for-14 serving with two aces.

Junior Andy Ahern continued his steady improvement with a 5-for-7 effort hitting, and he also joined Perkins with strong blocking at the net.

The locals jumped to a 6-0 first-game lead and won by a convincing 15-6 margin.

"We were a little tentative in the second game," said coach George Sullivan. "We let Lowell hang around and take a small lead at the beginning. But overall we made some outstanding plays and finished the match strong."

Junior Shawn Furey was 10-for-10 serving, with one ace, and his back-court defense was solid.

Junior David Hsu and Capt. Stu Smilowitz both excelled at setting, defense and serving, Hsu 5-for-7 and Smilowitz 3-for-4 from the service line.

Junior Steve Gerstein contributed 5-for-5 serving and was a defensive standout.

The AHS junior varsity won its fourth straight match, improving to 4-2 overall, with a 2-1 come-from-behind triumph over Lowell in the prelim.

Sparking the 13-15, 16-14, 15-5 victory were Matt Monteiro (7 hits, 3 kills, serving, defense), Peter Wang (setting), sophomore 6'7" middle hitter Ian McMahon (7-for-8 hitting) and aggressive Mike Alvarez (all-around standout).

GIRLS LACROSSE

The red-hot Andover High girls lacrosse team improved to 5-1 overall with recent victories over North League foes Ipswich (10-3), Beverly (9-8) and non-league North Andover (13-9).



Wayne Puglisi, boys varsity lacrosse head coach, shores up the team's defense during a halftime break against visiting Lexington, on the Upper Shawsheen fields last Thursday. The pointers worked, and AHS vanquished Lexington.

Schedule

The Lady Warriors return to action this afternoon against visiting Danvers at the Doherty Middle School Field (4 p.m.).

Tomorrow the locals travel to Tynsboro High for an afternoon game at Pierce Field (4 p.m.).

Andover 10 Ipswich 3

The Lady Warriors raced to an 8-1 halftime lead and cruised to the win at

the Doherty Middle School Field.

Katie Stewart led the attack with a hat trick, while twin sisters Diana and Demorie Crawford contributed two goals and one assist each.

Alice Gregory, Adrienne Shea and Krissy Leonard netted a goal apiece, while additional assists were distributed by Jacqui Munro (two), Ali McCoy, freshman defender Katie Nichols and Lindsay Mann.

Jennie Williams played the first half in net and made six saves, while

Angelica Rotsart had two stops in the second half.

Andover 9 Beverly 8

Grace Farnham pumped in three goals for the locals, who inched ahead 5-4 at the half and built the lead to 9-5 before the host Panthers made it interesting down the stretch.

"We had a couple of defensive subs away for vacation week and some of our girls tired in the closing minutes," said coach Ryan Polley.

After Capt. Amanda Gallant scored with about three minutes left to make it 9-5, Beverly pumped in the final three goals including one with 15 seconds to play.

"This was a big win because Beverly is one of the better teams in the league," said Polley. "Gracie (Farnham) had a terrific game. Besides her three goals she had another called back and one of her shots hit the post."

Gallant and Capt. Emily Shaer backed Farnham with two goals and an assist each, while Diana Crawford and Katie Stewart notched a goal apiece.

Demorie Crawford, Ali McCoy, Ashley Hegarty and Katie Nichols chalked up an assist each.

Nichols also turned in a strong defensive game against top Beverly scorer Steph Droney.

Jennie Williams played the entire

◀ **Playing defense, Nick Stamas (left) unloads the ball away from Andover's end of the field.**

game in the AHS net and made 12 saves.

Andover 13 North Andover 9

The Lady Warriors raced to a commanding 9-3 halftime lead and were never in serious trouble thereafter in this game under the lights at Lovely Field.

Amanda Gallant had a big night for the victors with a season-high five-goal outburst, and she also passed out one assist.

Grace Farnham continued her offensive onslaught with a hat trick, while Diana Crawford connected twice and single goals were netted by Jacqui Munro, sophomore midfielder Stephanie Sweeney and Diana Crawford.

Capt. Emily Shaer and Diana Crawford set up two goals each and other assists went to sophomore defender Arianna Miliotis, sophomore attack Geannie Lothrop and Demorie Crawford.

Jennie Williams made 11 saves in the AHS net.

The 13 goals were a season-high for Andover which has hit double figures in four of its six games.

TRACK & FIELD

Bruce Brown and Katie Gustin were individual event winners for the Andover High track and field teams at the recent Haverhill Boys and Tewksbury Girls Invitational Meets.

Schedule

The Tewksbury girls invaded Lovely Field yesterday, after *Townsmen* presstime, for a dual meet showdown between Merrimack Valley Conference powers.

Andover boys

Bruce Brown raced to victory in the 200 meter dash at the Haverhill Invitational, flashing across the line in 22.9 seconds to out-kick runner-up Tim Hall of Londonderry, N.H. who finished the race in 23.1.

The Golden Warriors scored in three other events and chalked up 19 points overall, placing 13th in a field of 33 schools spanning two states and all four Massachusetts classes.

The other individual AHS placer was Phil Shaw with a fourth in the two-mile (9:57.9), while the 4x100 relay also took fourth (44.6) and the 4x800 relay was sixth (8:37.2).

Brockton won the team championship with 65 points and Central Catholic placed second with 56.

Andover girls

Katie Gustin topped the Tewksbury Invitational field in the 100-meter high hurdles (16.32 seconds), with Lowell's Ashley Nolet (16.6) and Emily Thomson of Billerica (16.9) close on her heels.

The Lady Warriors also had a win from the 4x800 relay (10:26.5) and

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106TH BOSTON MARATHON RESULTS / ANDOVER RUNNERS

BIB No.	ANDOVER RUNNER	AGE	M/F	OFFICIAL TIME	CHIP TIME	OVERALL	GENDER	DIVISION
2762	Domina, Jeffrey C.	30	M	2:54:05	2:53:21	605	571	438
4075	Stableford, Jonathan A.	57	M	2:59:12	2:57:40	988	945	28
5275	Roos, Michael	39	M	3:10:22	3:07:03	2105	2001	1404
5599	Solomon, Lisa B.	40	F	3:10:28	3:07:32	2119	108	26
3397	Slotnick, Jeremy A.	29	M	3:11:03	3:09:30	2186	2075	1445
4854	Teplow, Evan	39	M	3:22:06	3:20:09	3679	3377	2058
14127	Clark-Warne, Brenda R.	40	F	3:23:36	3:21:56	3897	339	66
7124	Mc Keon, Brian	40	M	3:24:34	3:20:14	4034	3669	1239
6982	Kapelson, James A.	45	M	3:29:29	3:25:54	4755	4215	509
9026	Doucett, Lisa D.	46	F	3:31:17	3:25:04	5015	600	110
7136	Pechacek, Brad	40	M	3:33:59	3:29:17	5423	4698	1739
16062	Kidder, Joshua D.	24	M	3:40:12	3:26:35	6408	5301	2664
13782	Feeney, Brian J.	41	M	3:47:17	3:40:31	7494	5855	2235
12231	Wilson, Gretchen E.	36	F	3:47:40	3:38:34	7549	1670	1313
14255	Mason, Aileen	32	F	3:49:48	3:39:33	7850	1817	1418
13536	Silk, Tim R.	35	M	3:50:28	3:41:17	7958	6083	2882
7316	Strangman, Bruce T.	48	M	3:55:58	3:51:25	8814	6431	2454
15784	Benson, Beth A.	40	F	3:56:09	3:43:03	8842	2399	554
6369	Filbin, John W.	49	M	4:01:14	3:57:07	9536	6719	2550
15965	Patten, Chris	31	M	4:05:13	3:53:00	10039	6939	3170
13564	Drew, Lisa A.	36	F	4:09:17	3:59:17	10497	3366	2325
16111	Meng-Rivas, Mary	31	F	4:11:26	3:56:50	10701	3482	2389
17672	Blake, Lori L.	38	F	4:19:51	4:14:50	11437	3858	2569
13513	Dziadul, Jack	54	M	4:28:19	4:18:45	12073	7889	1196
14651	Gray, William Jr.	61	M	4:28:30	4:17:43	12086	7895	164
16140	Whalen, David J.	43	M	4:32:22	4:18:00	12321	8015	2990
17341	Puccia, Philip III	37	M	4:43:01	4:27:56	12882	8333	3776
15359	Gill, Sean W.	30	M	5:26:34	5:14:22	14222	9059	4093
16843	Davey, Mark	43	M	5:29:13	5:15:14	14266	9084	3336

2002 OVERALL RESULTS BY CATEGORY:

Men's winner: Rodgers Rop, Kenya, 2:09:02
 Women's winner: Margaret Okayo, Kenya, 2:20:43 (WOMEN'S RECORD)
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 Women's wheelchair winner: Edith Hunkeler, Switzerland, 1:45:57

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AHS ROUNDUP

■ TRACK & FIELD

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finished fifth in a field of 16 teams with 52 points.

Katie Cail scored in two events, taking second in the triple jump (32'0") and fifth in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles (49.1).

Sophomore Amanda Carlson was second in the 200 meters (27.3), the 4x100 sprint relay took third (53.4) and miler Caitlin Hamer finished fourth (5:32.9).

Also placing for the locals were Brittany Moriarty fifth in the 800 meters (2:28.6), pole vaulter Gerry Hough sixth (7'6") and Ashley Faulk sixth in the javelin throw (89'6").

Haverhill won the team title with 94.5 points and rounding out the top five schools were Central Catholic (67), Phillips Academy (62), defend-

ing champ Reading (59) and Andover.

SOFTBALL

It was a tough week for the Andover High varsity softball team.

After winning its first three games the Lady Warriors, who have dedicated their season to Alex Miliotis, lost a tough 4-3 extra-inning decision to non-league foe Everett before dropping consecutive Merrimack Valley Conference games to Tewksbury (6-0) and Chelmsford.

That left the locals, who have only three seniors in the starting lineup, at 3-3 overall and 1-2 in MVC play.

Schedule

Andover returned to action yesterday, after Townsman presstime, when it hosted Methuen.

The locals play Central Catholic

this afternoon at Merrimack College, and travel to Lawrence next Monday for a game at Hayden-Schofield Playstead (both games at 3:30).

Tewksbury 6 Andover 0

The Lady Warriors' bats were silenced by TMHS freshmen pitchers Julie Carlino (five innings) and Ashley Ricciardi (two innings), who combined for a two-hit shutout with 11 strikeouts.

The winners, meanwhile, chipped away for runs in every inning except the first and sixth.

Katie Haugh threw well in the loss, allowing only six hits and two earned runs over six innings.

"Katie was about the only bright spot for us," said coach Stephanie Ragucci. "Players who had been tearing the cover off the ball in our first

four games were completely handcuffed at the plate."

The lone AHS safeties were singles by leadoff batter Jess Leider and sophomore shortstop Lauren Vieira.

Leider was also a defensive standout in center field with a running catch that saved at least two runs, robbing Tewksbury's Katie Petros of extra bases and possibly a homer.

Kelly Boyle did the bulk of the damage for Tewksbury with a near-cycle single, triple and home run (third of season). She drove in two runs and scored twice.

Petros laced an RBI single for the winners, while Danielle DelPonte and Kristi Marsh both singled and scored.

Everett 4 Andover 3 (9 innings)

Andover flirted with another mira-

cle finish in the seventh, when sophomore Emily Farmer belted a bases-empty home run to erase a 3-2 deficit and force the non-league game into extra innings.

But the undefeated Crimson Tide, who never trailed after taking a 2-0 first-inning lead, eventually won it with a run in the ninth.

"We played them once before (1999) and beat them pretty badly (9-0)," said coach Ragucci. "This was a good effort on our part, but Everett had some timely hits and didn't make any mistakes."

Katie Haugh pitched all nine innings for the Lady Warriors, yielding 12 hits and three earned runs while whiffing four and walking only two.

AHS got on the board in the bottom of the second when sophomore Meagan Merinder doubled, Lauren

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AHS ROUNDUP

■ SOFTBALL

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Vieira walked and Jess Leider laced a two-out RBI double to right field.

The teams traded runs in the third, Andover scoring on a one-out walk to Kerrie Dargan, a single by Farmer and an RBI double down the right field line by Merinder.

In both the second and third frames the locals squandered golden opportunities for more runs, leaving two runners in scoring position at second and third base.

Farmer's second clutch homer of the season made it 3-3 in the bottom of the seventh.

Andrea Manners opened the inning with a single, and the game would have ended with the homer had she not been erased on a double play moments before the blast.

Merinder (two doubles) and Farmer led the 11-hit Andover offense with 3-for-4 days.

Manners laced two safeties and other hits were by Leider, Dargan and Jackie Collins.

BASEBALL

The struggles continued for the Andover High varsity baseball team, which lost recent games against Chelmsford (12-9), Central Catholic (9-1) and non-league Peabody (8-3).

Schedule

Coach Ken Maglio's crew hosted Dracut yesterday, after *Townsmen* presstime, travels to Methuen tomorrow night for a 7 p.m. game, and returns home next week to face MVC Division 1 powers Lowell (Monday) and Central Catholic (Wednesday) at Aumais Field (both 3:30 p.m.).

Chelmsford 12
Andover 9

The Golden Warriors banged out 13 hits and had undefeated Chelmsford on the ropes at Aumais Field.

But the Lions, trailing 9-3 after five innings, exploded for nine runs in the top of the sixth and went on to the victory.

Pony League
registration
Tuesday night

The Andover Pony League youth baseball teams, members of the Sonny Robbins League, will hold a registration session next Tuesday night, April 30, from 6 to 7:30 in the West Elementary School cafeteria.

Registration will be for both the 13-year-old and 14-15-year-old teams.

The players' age is determined as of Aug. 1, 2002; and youngsters who turn 16 prior to that date are not eligible.

The dates for on-the-field tryouts will be announced at the registration.

Games against teams from other northeastern Massachusetts towns begin in mid-June and continue through playoffs in early August.

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"Andover hit the ball all over the place — but we also dug ourselves a big hole with some poor fielding," said Chelmsford coach Mike O'Keefe.

AHS wasted no time grabbing a 5-0 first-inning lead with run-scoring doubles by Capt. Chris Hanlon, sophomore Brian Buckley and freshman shortstop Matt Iorio.

Chelmsford bounced back with three runs in the top of the third, the

key stroke a two-run triple by Bryan Delaney. Andover then got one back in the bottom of the inning.

The lead jumped to a seemingly-comfortable 9-3 in the fourth, with the key hits singles by freshman Matt Hennessey and Capt. Sean Smith (RBI).

The nine-run Chelmsford sixth was highlighted by a pinch-hit three-run homer over the left field fence by

Chris Manahan, a long two-run triple by Bill Furey and a two-run single by Mark Brown that gave the Lions the lead.

Mike Upton, who pitched a 7-inning perfect game the following day against Haverhill, notched the save by blanking the locals on one hit over the final two innings.

Five players had multiple-hit games for Andover, led by Capt. Ross Trainor with three safeties.

Sophomore leadoff batter Ryan Shepard, DH Hennessey, Hanlon and Iorio contributed two hits each, while Hanlon and Buckley both scored twice.

Starter Brian Daley, the first of four AHS hurlers, pitched well before the fateful sixth.

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WHAT'S UP

Middle-school track program warms up

By Bill Fahey & Glenn Wilson, Andover Youth Services

ANDOVER YOUTH SERVICES continues on its quest to develop a comprehensive middle-school recreational sports program and is proud to offer a Middle School Track Team. We are working with the AHS Track Team and developing a five-week season of track-and-field events.

This five-week season will give young athletes an opportunity to develop their skills in a variety of track and field events. There will be individual and group instruction in the long jump, triple jump, turbo javelin, high jump, shot put, discus, hurdles, relays, sprints, and long distance events.

Any middle-school boys and girls (6th-, 7th-, and 8th-grades) who attend DMS, WMS, St. A's, or Pike are invited to participate.

Instruction will be led by Peter Comeau, Andover High School track coach, along with AYS staff.

The dates for this program are

as follows: May 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23, 28, and 30; June 5 and 7. Two meets are scheduled: Friday, May 31 – town-wide meet and Friday, June 7 – invitational. The program will meet at the AHS track from 4:30 to 6 p.m. This is a town-run program and you will have to sign up at the DCS office, 2nd floor, Town Administrative Office, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Registration forms will be available in the West Middle and Doherty Middle School cafeterias and at the DCS office. Cost of the program (10 practices, 2 meets, T-shirt, awards, etc.) is \$50. If you

are interested in track and field, whether you are a newcomer or experienced, start training for the 2004 Summer Games now.

Any questions, call the AYS office at 978-623-8241.

► *What's Up is written by kids, for kids. For more information about What's Up, call Bill Fahey, Andover Youth Services director, at 978-623-8241; or Jack Grady, Townsman assistant editor, at 978-475-7000. E-mail submissions to: jack@andover-townsman.com*

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by Richard D. Hopgood, D.M.D., F.A.G.D.



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By Rick Harrison

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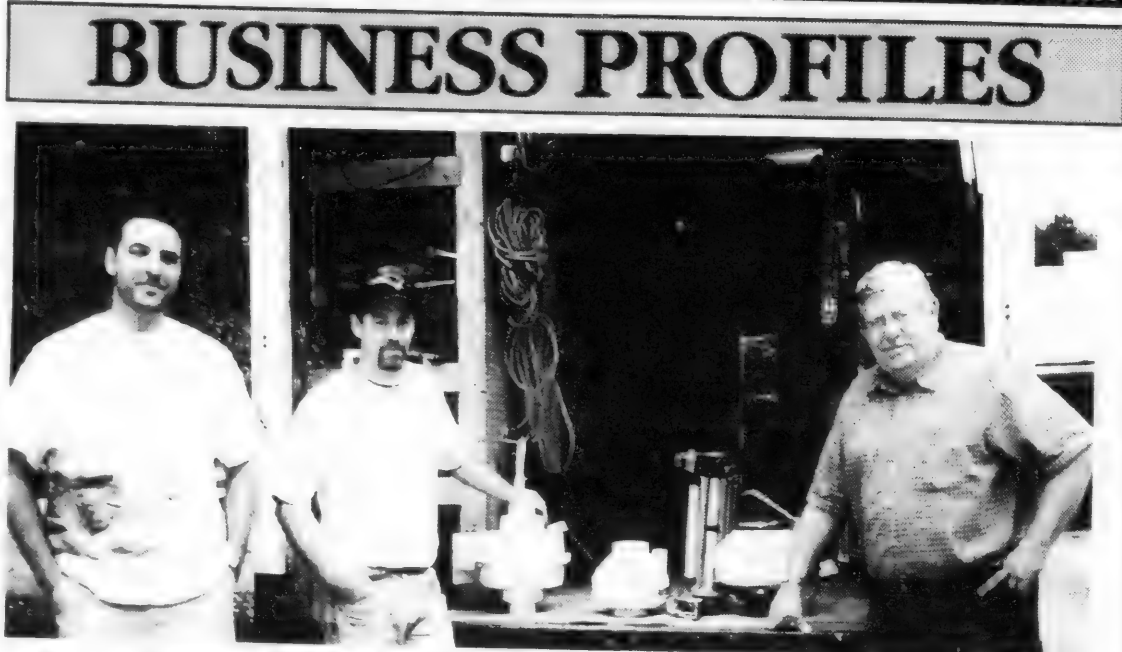
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TOWN MEETING ARTICLES TO BE DEBATED NEXT WEEK

BALLARDVALE MONEY

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money from a lawsuit – money must be spent specifically for the purpose of community improvements – should use it before asking the town for more. The selectmen have recommended approval of the article. Selectman Brian Major says Task Force members are setting a good example of creating public/private solutions to public problems.

RP



Youths use a crosswalk near the Ballardvale train station.

erties turned into an apartment complex.

Selectmen and the Planning Board recommend disapproval. Selectmen Chairman Ted Teichert says the article doesn't specify how many apartments Silvestro wanted to put into the area. "It could be two, it could be 60. There could be a lot of traffic," said Teichert. Planning Board Chairman Paul Salafia says that only two of the owners appeared before the board at its hearing on the matter and it was uncomfortable making a decision without a better representation of the parties involved.

BH

62, 63: Youth-center access

Selectmen want authorization to

take Ledge Road by eminent domain. Ledge Road connects Chandler Road and Greenwood Road. It will be discontinued as a public way and used for driveway access to the proposed youth center.

In Article 63 the board asks for Ledge Road to be discontinued as a public way. The Planning Board members have approved the articles unanimously. Bob McQuade, Andover Youth Foundation member, said that the private foundation planning to build a youth center has hired Vanesse Highway Consultants to conduct a study. The consultants found that the increase to the intersection would be minor.

BH

58: Rezoning for apartments

Property owner Thomas Silvestro wants the town to rezone six parcels of property at the crossroads of South

Main Street and Route 125 from residential to apartment. He says that the housing stock of apartments in Andover has diminished in the past

years because apartments have been converted to condominiums and sold. Silvestro and the other owners of the properties would like to see the prop-

CORRECTION

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AT&T COMCAST CORP./AT&T CORP. APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF CONTROL OF THE CABLE TELEVISION LICENSE

In accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 166A, Section 7 and 207 CMR 4.01 et. seq., a public hearing will be held on the application for change of control of the existing cable television license for the Town of Andover from AT&T Corp. to AT&T Comcast Corp. AT&T Comcast Corp.'s application for change of control is available for public inspection during regular business hours at Town Hall and at the Massachusetts Cable Television Division at One South Station, 4th Floor, Boston, MA 02110. The issuing authority has been asked to consider the desirability of approving the proposed change of control based on the managerial, technical, financial and legal ability of AT&T Comcast Corp. to operate the cable system pursuant to AT&T Corp's existing license. The hearing will be held at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 30, 2002, in the Board of Selectmen's Meeting Room, 3rd Floor, Town Offices, 36 Bartlett Street, Andover, MA. Residents and municipal officials are invited to attend. April 25, 2002

Commonwealth Of
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The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No. 02P0627EP1

In the ESTATE OF
KERSTIN S. O'DELL
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death
February 9, 2002

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that the last will and two codicils of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that EDWARD T. O'DELL of ANDOVER in the County of ESSEX be appointed executor named in the will to serve without surety.

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In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, April 3, 2002.
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
April 25, 2002

Commonwealth Of
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The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No. 00P3042EP1

In the ESTATE OF
VERNA MABEL
PROVENCAL
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death
April 21, 2000

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that DEBORAH ANN STEPHENSON of N. ANDOVER in the County of ESSEX be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM, ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON **MAY 13, 2002.**

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, April 11, 2002.
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
April 25, 2002

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The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No. 02P0889EP1

In the ESTATE OF
ELIZABETH O.
MORRISSEY AKA
ELIZABETH MORRISSEY
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death
November 13, 2001

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that JOSEPH MORRISSEY of ANDOVER in the County of ESSEX be appointed executor, named in the will to serve without surety.

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WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, April 16, 2002.
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
April 25, 2002

Commonwealth Of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No. 02P0783EP1

In the ESTATE OF
DOROTHY ROSE
SHEEHAN AKA
DOROTHY R.
SHEEHAN
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death
March 3, 2002

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that CHRISTINE MCCARROLL of ANDOVER in the County of ESSEX be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety.

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In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, April 3, 2002.
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
April 25, 2002

Commonwealth Of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No. 02P0623EP1

In the ESTATE OF
CARROLL N.
WHITAKER AKA
CARROLL WHITAKER
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death
February 17, 2002

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that MARJORIE H. MOBERG as she is NAMED IN WILL AS MARJORIE MOBERG of ANDOVER in the County of ESSEX be appointed executrix, named in the will to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM, ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON **MAY 20, 2002.**

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, April 12, 2002.
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
April 25, 2002

Commonwealth Of
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The Trial Court
Probate
And Family Court
Department
ESSEX Division
Docket No. 02P0624EP1

In the ESTATE OF
DARLENE C. SOHLER
AKA DARLENE J.
SOHLER
Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death
January 1, 2002

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, a petition has been presented praying that the last will of said decedent be proved and allowed, and that SUSAN S. EVERINGHAM of PASADENA in the State of CALIFORNIA and RICHARD G. ASOIAN of ANDOVER in the County of ESSEX be appointed executors, named in the will to serve without surety.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT SALEM, ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 AM) ON **MAY 13, 2002.**

In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

WITNESS, HON. JOHN C. STEVENS, III ESQUIRE, First Justice of said Court at SALEM this day, April 11, 2002.
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
April 25, 2002

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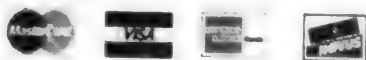
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In the ESTATE OF
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Late of ANDOVER
In the County of ESSEX
Date of Death
January 1, 2002

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR

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ested in the above nar-
amed estate, a petition
has been presented
praying that BARRY E.
CONNORS of AN-
DOVER in the County of
ESSEX be appointed
administrator of said es-
tate to serve with per-
sonal surety.

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WITNESS, HON.
JOHN C. STEVENS, III
ESQUIRE, First Justice
of said Court at SALEM
this day, April 2, 2002.
Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of
Probate Court
April 25, 2002

TOWN OF ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that
a public hearing will be
convened on Tuesday
May 14, 2002, at 7:30
a.m. in the Third Floor
Conference Room, Town
Offices, Bartlet Street, on
the application of the
Trustees of Phillips
Academy for a Special
Permit for Major Non-
Residential Project to
allow for the construction
of a one-story, 15,000
square foot storage build-
ing off Old Campus Road
(private) between School
Street and Phillips Street.
The property being more
specifically shown as Lots
7E and 7F on Assessor's
Map 56. The application
and plans may be exam-
ined in the Planning
Department between the
hours of 8:30 a.m. and
4:30 p.m., Monday
through Friday.

THE ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD
Paula Salafia, Chairman
April 25, & May 2, 2002

TOWN OF ANDOVER BOARD OF APPEALS

Notice is hereby given
that a public hearing will
be convened on Thurs-
day, May 2, 2002, at
8:00 p.m., in Memorial
Hall of the Memorial
Hall Library, Elm
Square, pursuant to an
Order of Remand
issued on February 4,
2002 by the Housing

Appeals Committee
directing the Board of
Appeals to conduct fur-
ther proceedings on the
application of Ballard-
vale Crossing, LLC, for a
Comprehensive Per-
mit under MGL chapter
40B, Sections 20-23
(The Anti-Snob Zoning
Act). The application
would allow develop-
ment of 68 residential
condominium units
along with associated
driveways and parking
areas on a 5.7-acre par-
cel of land located at 12
and 18 Dale Street.
being more particularly
identified as Lots 9B, 13
and 15 on Assessor's
Map 138. The applica-
tion was originally sub-
mitted on February 1,
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residential condomini-
um units. Following a
hearing convened on
March 28, 2001 and
closed on September 4,
2001, approval was
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68 residential units with
conditions, and the
applicant filed an
appeal. Under the
Order of Remand the
Board of Appeals will

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Subsequent Approvals.
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Daniel S. Casper, Esq.,
Chairman
April 18 & 25, 2002

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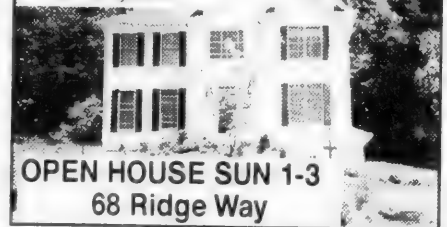

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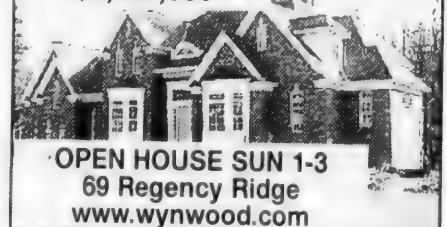

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 10/4-2.5 - 2 car garage - 4300 sq ft - HW flrs
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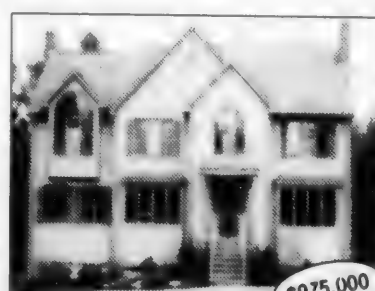
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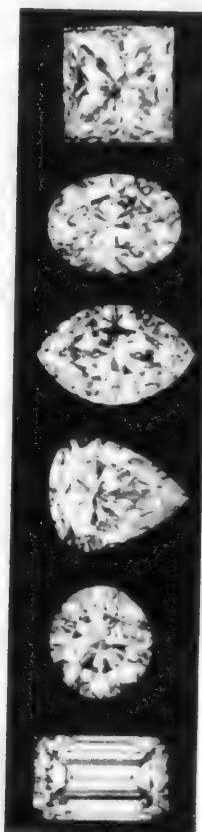
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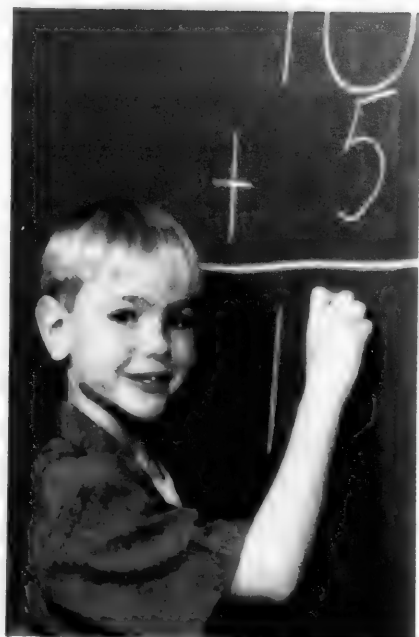


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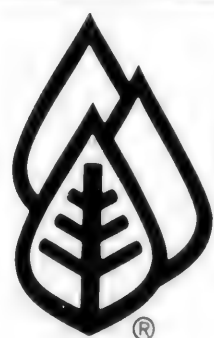
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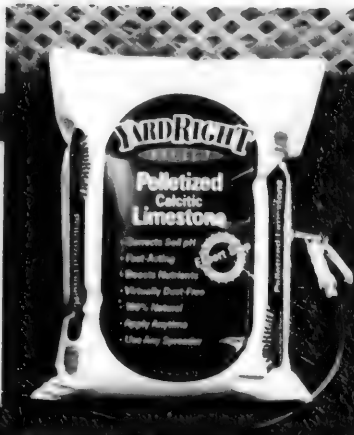
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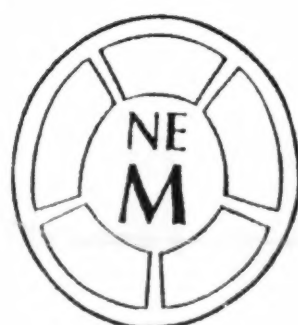
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